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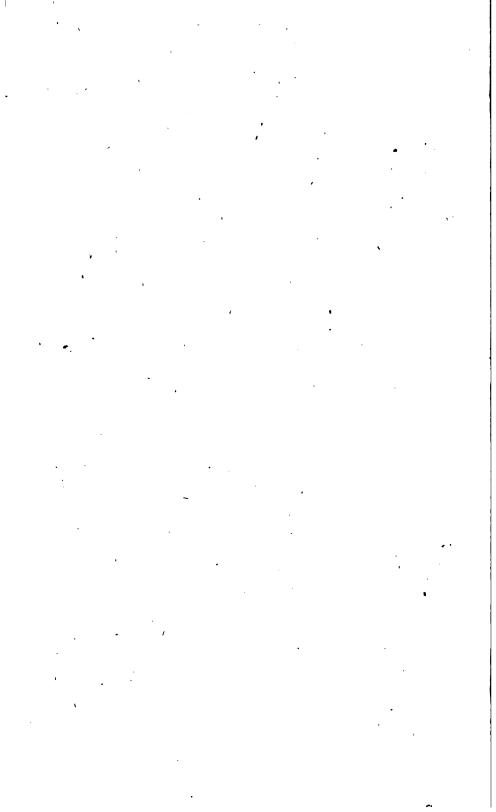
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HISTORY OF ROME.

BOOK XLI.

The facred fire in the temple of Vesta extinguished. Titus Sempronius Gracchus, proconsul, subdues the Celtiberians, receives their submission, and, for a perpetual monument of his exploits, builds a town in Spain, to which he gives the name of Gracchuris. The Vaccaans and Lustanians subdued by Postumius Albinus, who triumphs over them. Aulus Manlius, consul, marching into Isria, suffers a partial defeat; but, afterwards, routs the Isrians. Quintus Vocciius Saxa proposes a luw, that women shall not inherit, which is supported by Cato, and carried. Successful operations, under different commanders, against the Ligurians, Isrians, Sardinians, and Celtiberians. Perseus prepares for war; solicits the assistance of the Carthaginians, of the Grecian states, and of Antiochus Epiphanes. Character of Antiochus*

I. IN the distribution of the provinces, those assigned BOOK to the consuls were, to Manlius, Gaul; and to Junius, Liguria. As to the pretors, the city jurisdiction Y.R. 574. fell to Marcus Titinius Curvus; the foreign, to Tibe-B. C. 178. rius Claudius Nero; Sicily, to Publius Ælius Ligus;

Sardinia,

This book is very impersect: a great part of the beginning of it is loft; and there are, besides, considerable chasms in other parts of it. The supplemental passages which the translator has introduced, to complete the connection, are taken from Crevier. They are printed in a different character.

BOOK Sardinia, to Titus Abutius; the hither Spain, to the other Marcus Titinius; and the farther Spain, to Titus Y.R. 574. Fonteius Capito. A fire broke out in the Forum, and B. C. 178. destroyed a great number of buildings. The facred fire of Vesta was extinguished; the virgin, who had the care of it, was punished with fripes, by order of Marcus Æmilius, the chief pontiff, and supplication was performed, as usual in such cases. The lustrum was closed by Marcus Æmilius Lepidus and Marcus Fulvius Nobilior, censors, in which were rated two bundred and seventy-three thousand two hundred and fortyfour citizens. The ambassadors of Perseus arrived, defiring a renewal of the league, and the title of king; and, although the Romans entertained no friendly disposition to Perseus, whom they had reason to believe disposed, as soon as be should think himself strong enough, to take the first opportunity of commencing that war, which bad been so long projected by his father Philip; yet, not to furnish bim with any pretext for a quarrel, they complied with both bis requests. When Perseus received their answer, he thought himself now effectually confirmed on the throne, and be laid himself out to gain the favour and affettion of the Greeks, which, by various atts of kindness and munificence, be, in a great measure, effetted. Before the new prators arrived in the Spanish provinces, very important services were performed there by Postumius and Gracchus; the latter of whom, in particular, acquired a very high reputation, not only as a military commander, but as a statesman, from bis wise adjustment of the terms of peace between the Romans and the conquered nations. For he distributed lands, and assigned babitations to such as wanted them; and, for all the states in that part of the country, be wrote out accurate copies of the same terms of amity and alliance, to be observed between them and the Romans, and bad them ratified by the oaths of all the parties; and the authority of this treaty was often appealed to, in the following age, on occasion of the wars which then broke out. To a town bitberto called Illurcis, be gave the

the name of Graceburis, as a memorial of his merito- BOOK rious labours in the province. Postumius did not obtain an equal share of renown; yet be subdued the Vac- Y.R. 5-4. Teans and Lusitanians, and both of them, on their re- B.C. 175. turn home, after delivering up the provinces to their successors, were bonoured with triumphs. In Gaul, Manlius, the consul, to whose lot that province had fallen, not finding there any employment that could afford him bopes of a triumph, eagerly embraced an opportunity, which fortune threw in his way, of entering into a war with the Istrians. This people had formerly sent assistance to the Ætolians, when they were at war with the Romans, and had lately shewn a dispofition to be troublesome. The king, at that time on the throne, was called Epulo, and was of a turbulent temper. His father had kept the nation quiet; but it was now reported, that this prince had made them take arms, and that this had highly endeared him to the youth of the country, who were eager for plunder. conful held a council on the subject of a war with Istria; in which some were of opinion, that it ought to be begun immediately, before the enemy could collect forces; others, that the senate ought first to be confulted; the former opinion was adopted. Accordingly, the conful, marching from Aquileia, pitched his camp at the lake Timavus, which lies very near the sea. Thither came Caius Furius, one of the commanders of the fleet, with ten ships; for two commanders had been appointed to direct the operations of the fleet, against that of the Illyrians; and they were ordered, with twenty ships, to protect the coast of the upper sea, making Ancona the common boundary between their stations; fo that Lucius Cornelius had to guard the coasts on the right, from thence to Tarentum, and Caius Furius those on the lest, as far as Aquileia. These ships were sent to the nearest port in the Istrian territory, with a number of transport-vessels, and a large store of provisions; and the consul, following

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B OOK lowing with the legions, encamped at the distance of about five miles from the sea. A plentiful market Y.R. 574. was foon established at the port, and every thing B. C. 178. conveyed thence to the camp. That this might be done with greater safety, outposts were established, on all fides of the camp; a fixed guard was stationed, on the fide opposite the country of Istria; a newly levied cohort of Placentines was posted between the camp and the sea; and that the watering parties might likewise have protection at the river, orders were given to Marcus Æbutius, military tribune, to take thither two companies of the second legion. Titus Ælius, military tribune, led out the third legion, on the road leading to Aquileia, to support the parties that went for wood and forage. In the fame quarter, at the distance of about five miles, a party of Gauls, not exceeding three thousand in number, lay encamped, under the command of a chieftain called Carmelus.

> II. When the Roman army first marched to the lake Timavus, the Istrians took post behind a hill, where they could not be feen; and, onits march thence, followed it through bye-ways, watching attentively for any opportunity that might give them an advantage; nor did any thing that was done, either on land or sea, escape their observation. When they saw the weakness of the advanced guards, round the camp of the Romans, and that the market place was filled with an unarmed crowd, who carried on the traffic with the camp, and that they had not fortified themfelves, either by works on land, or by the help of their ships, they made an assault on two of their posts at once, the Placentine cohort, and the two companies of the second legion. A morning fog concealed their design; and, when this began to disperse, as the fun grew warm, the light, piercing through it,

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n some degree, yet still being far from clear, and, as BOOK usual in such cases, magnifying the appearance of every thing to the eye, imposed so far on the Ro- Y.R. 574. mans in this case, that they thought the force of B. C. 178. the enemy much greater than it was: the troops, in both the posts, were so terrified, that they ran away, in the utmost confusion to the camp, where they caused much greater alarm than that which they were under themselves: for they could neither tell what had made them fly, nor answer any question that was asked. Then, a shouting at all the gates was heard; for there were no guards at them capable of withstanding an attack, and the hurry in which the men crowded together, and pressed against each other, from the want of light, made people suspect that the enemy were already in the camp. One only cry was heard from all, to hasten to the sea. These words happened to be uttered at random by one person, and the cry quickly resounded through all parts of the At first, therefore, a few, with their arms, and many more without them, as if they had received orders to do so, ran off to the sea shore; then followed others, in greater numbers, and, at length, almost the whole of the army, and the consul himfelf. after he had endeavoured to call back the runawaysby commands, advice, and, at last, by entreaties, but all to-no purpose. Marcus Licinius Strabo, a military tribune of the third legion, with three companies, alone, remained in the camp; the rest of his legion having gone off and left him. The Istrians, breaking into the empty camp, and meeting none other to oppose them, came upon him, while he was drawing up, and encouraging his men, at the general's quarters; on which a fight enfued, more vigorous than could have been expected from so small a band; nor did it cease until the military tribune, and those who stood round him, were all slain. enemy then, tearing down the general's tent, and **feizing B** 3

of the quæstor's quarters, and the adjoining Forum, called Quintana. Here, finding in the quæstor's tent plenty of all kinds of food ready dressed, and laid out, and the couches placed in order, their chieftain sat down, and began to seast. Presently, all the rest, thinking no more of sighting or of the enemy, did the same, and being unaccustomed to any fort of rich food, they greedily gorged themselves with meat and wine.

III. AFFAIRS among the Romans wore a very differ-There was nothing but confusion, on land or sea; the mariners struck their tents, and hastily conveyed on board the provisions which had been landed on shore; the soldiers, in a panic, pressed into the boats, and even into the water, and the seamen, through sear lest their vessels should be overcrowded, opposed, some of them, the entrance of the multitude, and others pushed off their ships from the shore into the deep. Hence arose a dispute, and in a short time a fight, not without wounds and loss of lives, both of foldiers and seamen; until, by order of the conful, the fleet was moved out to a distance He next fet about separating the from the shore. armed from the unarmed; and, out of so large a multitude, he hardly found twelve hundred who had preferved their arms, and very few horsemen who had brought their horses with them; the rest formed only an irregular ill-looking multitude, like fervants and futlers, and would certainly have fallen a prey to the enemy, had they thought of pursuing their advantage. Then, at length, an express was dispatched to call in the third legion and the foragers; and, at the same time, the troops began to march back from all parts, in order to retake the camp, and repair their difgrace. military tribunes of the third legion ordered their men to throw away the forage and wood, and direct-

ed the centurions to mount two of the elderly fol- BOOK diers, on each of the horses, from which the loads were thrown, and each horseman to take a young Y.R. 574. foot foldier behind him; and told them, "it would B. C. 178; " reflect great honour on the legion, if they should " recover, by their bravery, the camp which had been lost by the cowardice of the second; and that et it would be easily recovered, if the barbarians were furprifed while bufied in plundering; in like "manner, as they had taken it, it might be re-46 taken." His exhortation was received by the foldiers, with tokens of the utmost alacrity; the standards advanced with speed, nor did the soldiers give any delay to the standard bearers. The conful, and the troops that went back from the shore, reached the rampart first. Lucius Atius, first tribune of the fecond legion, not only urged on his foldiers, but told them, that " if the Istrians, after their success, er meant to retain the camp which they had taken, by et the same arms which gave them possession of it, they would, in the first place, have pursued their enemy to the sea, after driving him out of hiscamp; and, in the next place, they would cer-" tainly have stationed guards outside the rampart; and that, in all probability, they were lying drown-" ed in sleep and wine."

IV. SAYING this, he ordered his own standard-bearer, Aulus Bæculonius, a man of known bravery, to bear in the standard. The other only said, that if they would follow him he would, for expedition's sake, throw it in; and then, exerting all his strength, he threw the standard across the entrenchment, and was the first that got into the gate. At this juncture, arrived, on the other side, Titus Ælius and Caius Ælius, military tribunes of the third legion, with their cavalry, and, quickly after them, the soldiers whom they had mounted in pairs on the beasts of burden, and the consul, with the main body.

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BOOK body. As to the Istrians, a few, who were not quite o much intoxicated as the rest, had sense enough Y.R. 574. left to fly; death perpetuated the sleep of the rest; B. C. 178. and the Romans recovered all their effects unimpaired, except what victuals and wine had been confumed. The foldiers, too, who had been left fick . in the camp, when they faw their countrymen within the trenches, fnatched up arms, and committed great Caius Popilius, furnamed Sabellus, a flaughter. horseman, distinguished himself on this occasion above all the rest. He had been lest behind in the camp, on account of a wound in his foot, notwithstanding which, he did much greater execution among the enemy than any other. Eight thousand Istrians were killed, but not one prisoner taken; for rage and indignation had made the Romans regardless of booty. The king of the Istrians, being much intoxicated with liquor, was hastily mounted on a horse by his people, and effected his escape. Of the conquerors there were lost two hundred and thirty-seven men; more of whom fell in the fight in the morning, than in the retaking of the camp.

> V. IT happened that Cneius and Lucius Cavillius, with recruits lately enlifted at Aquileia, coming with a convoy of provisions, and not knowing what had passed, were very near going into the camp, after it was taken by the Istrians. These men then, leaving their baggage, and flying back to Aquileia, caused a general consternation and alarm, not only there, but, in a few days after, at Rome also; for there the report was, not only that the camp was taken by the enemy, and that the troops ran away, as was really the case, but that the whole army was ruined and entirely cut off. Wherefore, as usual in cases of uncommon danger, extraordinary levies were ordered by proclamation, both in the city, and throughout all Italy. Two legions of Roman citizens were raised, and the Latine

tine allies were ordered to furnish ten thousand foot BOOK and five hundred horse. The consul, Marcus Junius, was ordered to go into Gaul, and so demand from the Y.R. 574. several states of that province, whatever number of B. C. 178, troops each was able to supply. At the same time it was mentioned in the decree, that Tiberius Claudius, the prætor, should issue orders for the fourth legion, and five thousand foot and two hundred and fifty horse, of the Latines, to assemble at Pisæ; and that, with this force, he should guard that province, during the conful's absence: and that Marcus Titinius, prætor, should order the first legion, and an equal number of allied foot and horse, to meet at Ariminum. Nero, habited in general's robes, set out for Pilæ, the province allotted him. fending Cajus Cassius, military tribune, to Ariminum, to command the legion there, employed himself in raising soldiers in Rome. The consul, Marcus Junius, passing over, from Liguria, into the province of Gaul, and, as he went along, collecting auxiliaries from the Gallic states, and recruits from the colonies, came to Aquileia. There he learned that the army was fafe; wherefore, after dispatching a letter to Rome, to put an end to the alarm, he fent home the Gallic auxiliaries, and proceeded himself to join his colleague. The unexpected news caused great joy at Rome; the levies were stopped, the foldiers who had been enlifted and fworn were discharged, and the troops at Ariminum, who were afflicted with a pestilential sickness, were remanded home. The Istrians, who, with a numerous force, were encamped, at no great distance from the camp of the conful, when they understood that the other consul

VI. THE alarm, caused by the affairs of Istria, being at length composed, the senate passed an order, that

was arrived, with a new army, dispersed and returned to their several states; and the consults led back their

legions into winter-quarters at Aquileia.

BOOK that the confuls should settle between themselves which of them should come home to Rome, to pre-Y.R. 574. fide at the elections. Two plebeian tribunes, Aulus B.C. 178. Licinius Narva and Caius Papirius Turdus, in their harangues to the people, uttered severe reflections on Manhus, then abroad, and proposed the passing of an order, that, although the government of their provinces had already been continued to the confuls, for a year, yet Manlius should not hold command beyond the ides of March; in order that he might immediately, on the expiration of his office, be brought to trial. Against this proposition, Quintus Ælius, another tribune, protested; and, after violent struggles, prevailed so far, as to prevent its being passed. About this time, Tiberius Sempronius Graechus and Lucius Postumius Albinus, came home to Rome, from Spain, and the prætor, Marcus Titinius, gave them an audience of the senate, in the temple of Bellona, that they might represent their services performed, and demand such honours as they merited, together with a thankfgiving to the immortal gods. At the same time, arrived a letter from Titus Æbutius, the prætor, brought by his fon to the fenate, informing them of great commotions in Sardinia; that the Ilians, having procured aid of the Balarians, had made an inroad into the peaceable part of the province; and that it was not possible to make head against them, with a feeble army, whose numbers were greatly diminished by an epidemic sickness. Ambassadors from the Sardinians made the same representations, and befought the senate to send relief, at least, to their cities; for as to the country, it was already entirely ruined. This embally, and every thing relative to Sardinia, was referred to the new magistrates. An embassy from the Lycians, no less entitled to commiteration, complained of the cruel treatment which they suffered from the Rhodians, to whose government they had been annexed by Lucius Cornelius Scipio. "They had for-" merly,"

" merly," they faid, " been under the dominion of BOOK Antiochus; and their bondage under that king, compared to their present condition, appeared an Y.R. 574. honourable state of liberty; that they were not B. C. 17% only oppressed by acts of government, but in-" dividuals underwent every suffering, as if really flaves. That themselves, their wives, and chil-"dren, were abused alike by them; cruelties were " practifed on their persons, on their backs, and, what was shameful, the vilest aspersions and cast lumnies were casts on their character; and they openly treated them with contemptuous infults, merely for the purpose of exercising their prero-" gative, and to convince them that no distinction was made between them and purchased slaves." The fenate was highly displeased at such proceedings, and gave the Lycians a letter to the Rhodians, acquainting them that " it was the will of the senate, that neither the Lycians should be subjected to " the Rhodians, as flaves, nor any other freeborn se people be reduced to such a state; but that the " Lycians should be under the government, and, at s the same time, the protection of the Rhodians, in " like manner as the allied states were under the do-" minion of the Roman people."

VII. Two triumphs over Spain were then, successively, celebrated. First, Sempronius Gracchus triumphed over the Celtiberians and their allies; next day, Lucius Postumius, over the Lustanians, and the other Spaniards in that quarter. Tiberius Gracchus carried in the procession twenty thousand pounds weight of silver, Albinus sorty thousand. They distributed to each of their soldiers twenty-five denariuses*, double to a centurion, triple to a horseman; the same sums to the allied troops as to the Roman. The consul,

BOOK Marcus Junius, happened to arrive in Rome at this time from Istria, in order to hold the elections. Y.R. 574. plebeian tribunes, Papirius and Licinius, after ha-B. C. 178. rassing him in the senate, with questions relative to what had passed in Istria, brought him out into the assembly of the people. To their inquiries, the conful answered, that "he had been not more than ele-" ven days in that province; and that, as to what " had happened, when he was not present, his inform-" ation, as their own, rested on report." they still proceeded to ask, "why then did not Man-" lius rather come to Rome, that he might account " to the Roman people for his having quitted Gaul, " the province allotted to him, and gone into Istria? "When had the senate decreed a war with that nase tion? When had the people ordered it? But he will " fay, though the war was indeed undertaken by " private authority, yet it was conducted with pru-" dence and courage.' On the contrary, it is impoffible to fay whether the impropriety in undertak-" ing it, or the misconduct in the carrying it on, " was greater. Two advanced guards were furor prised by the Istrians; a Roman camp was taken, with whatever infantry and cavalry were in it; the se rest, in disorder, without arms, and, among the " foremost, the consul himself, sled to the shore and "the ships. But he should answer for all these mat-" ters when he became a private citizen, since he " had avoided it while conful."

> VIII. THE elections were then held, in which Caius Claudius Pulcher and Tiberius Sempronius Gracchus were chosen consuls; and, next day, the following persons were elected prætors, Publius Ælius Tubero, a second time, Caius Quintius Flamininus, Caius Numisius, Lucius Mummius, Cneius Cornelius Scipio, and Publius Valerius Lævinus. The city jurisdiction fell, by lot, to Tubero; the foseign, to Quintius; Sicily, to Numifius; and Sardi

nia, to Mummius; but this last, on account of the B OOK importance of the war there, was made a consular, province, and it fell to the lot of Gracchus. The lots gave Istria to Claudius; and Gaul, divided into two provinces, to Scipio and Lævinus. On the ides Y.R. 575. of March, the day when Sempronius and Claudius B. C. 177. assumed the administration, there was only a cursory mention made of the provinces of Sardinia and Iftria, and of the enemies who had commenced hoftilities there; but, on the day following, the ambassadors of the Sardinians, who had been referred to the new magistrates were introduced, and, Lucius Minucius Thermus, who had been lieutenantgeneral, under the conful Manlius, in Istria, attended, and from them the senate learned the real state of the The attention of the senate war in those provinces. was also attracted by ambassadors from the confederate states of Latium, who, after having ineffectually applied to the former confuls and cenfors, were now, at last, introduced to an audience. They came, with complaints, the amount of which was, that "their " citizens, having been rated in the general furvey " at Rome, had, most of them, removed thither; " and that, if this practice were allowed, it would " come to pass, in the course of a very few lustrums, " that their towns, and their country, would be so de-" ferted as to be unable to furnish any foldiers." The Samnites and the Pelignians also complained, that four thousand families had emigrated from their countries to Fregellæ: and that, in the levying of foldiers, their quota was not lessened, nor that of the others increased, on this account. That there had been practifed two species of fraud, in the method of an individual quitting one state, to become a member of another: there was a law, which granted liberty to any of the allies, or Latines, who should not leave his offspring at home, to become a citizen of Rome, and by a perversion of this law, some did injury to the allies, others to the Roman

BOOK Roman people. For, first, to evade the leaving offspring at home, they made over their children Y.R. 575. as flaves to some Roman, under an agreement that B. C. 1772 they should be again set free, and thus become citizers by emancipation; and then those men, who had now no offspring to leave, became Roman citi-Afterwards, they neglected even these appearances of conformity to law, and, without any regard either to the ordinances, or to offspring, paffed indifcriminately into the Roman state, by migration, getting themselves included in the survey. To prevent such proceedings, in suture, the ambasfadors requested the senate to order the allies to return to their respective states, and to provide by a law, that " no one should acquire a preperty in any « man's person, or alienate such property for the " purpose of that man's enfranchisement, in any other state than his own; and that if any person " should by such means be made a citizen of Rome. " he should not enjoy the rights of a citizen."

> IX. THE senate granted their petitions, and then proceeded on the business of Sardinia and Istria, the provinces which were in a flate of war. It was ordered, that two legions should be raised for Sardinia, each containing five thousand two hundred foot, and three hundred horse; and, of the allies and Latines, twelve thousand foot and six hundred horse; and that the conful should take ten ships, of five banks of oars, out of any docks he chofe. same numbers of infantry and cavalry were decreed for Istria as for Sardinia. The consuls were ordered to fend into Spain, to Marcus Titinius, one legion, with three hundred horse, and five thousand foot, and three hundred horse of the allies. Before the confuls cast lots for their provinces, several prodigies were reported: that, in the Crustumine territory, a stone fell from the sky into the grove of Mars; that, in the Roman territory, a boy was born defective in his

his limbs; that a serpent with four feet had been BOOK feen; that, at Capua, many buildings in the Forum were struck by lightning; and, at Puteoli, two ships Y.R. 575. were burned by lightning. While these prodigies B. C. 277. were reported from abroad, one happened in Rome itself; for a wolf, having come in through the Colline gate, in the middle of the day, was, for a long time, driven about through the city, and at length, though purfued by great multitudes, escaped through the Esquiline. On account of these prodigies the confuls facrificed victims of the larger kinds, and there was a supplication, for one day, at all the shrines. When the facrifices were duly performed, they cast lots for their provinces; when Istria fell to Claudius, Sardinia to Sempronius. Then Caius Claudius, by direction of the senate, procured a law to be passed respecting the allies, and issued a proclamation, that " any of the allies and Latine con-" federates, who, themselves, or whose ancestors, " had been surveyed among the associated states of "Latium in the cenforship of Marcus Claudius and "Titus Quintius, or at any time fince, should all " return, each to his respective state, before the " calends of November." Lucius Mummius, the prætor, was commissioned to make inquiry concerning such as did not return. To the law, and the proclamation of the conful, was added a decree of the senate, that "the dictator, conful, interrex, " centor, or prætor, for the time being, before whom " any person should be brought to receive manu-" mission, should cause the person so to be dist-" charged to make oath, that the person giving him " liberty did not do it for the purpose of his being " admitted a citizen of any state of which he was " not already a member;" and any person refusing this oath, the decree ordered, should not receive manumission. The cognizance and jurisdiction in this buliness, for the future, was assigned to Caius Claudius the conful.

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X. While these matters passed at Rome, Mar-BOOK , cus Junius and Aulus Manlius, the confuls of the Y. R. 575. preceding year, after spending the winter at Aqui-B.C. 277. leia, led their army, early in the spring, into the Istrian territories, and spread their depredations through a great part of the country; on which the Istrians, rather out of grief and indignation, at seeing their property plundered, than from any well-grounded hope of being able to make head against the two armies, flew to arms. They hastily assembled their young men, who ran together from all their cantons: and this raw and tumultuary army made its first onset with more vigour than it was able fleadily to sup-Four thousand of them were slain in the field, and the rest, renouncing all thoughts of farther opposition, dispersed, and sted to their homes. Soon after, they fent ambassadors to the Roman camp to fue for peace, and then delivered up the hostages required of them. When these transactions were made known at Rome, by letters from the proconful, Caius Claudius, the conful, began to fear that this proceeding might, perhaps, take the province and the army out of his hands; and, therefore, without offering vows, without affuming the military habit, and unaccompanied by his lictors, having acquainted his colleague alone with his intention, he fet out in the night, and with the utmost speed hastened to the province, where he conducted himself even with less prudence than he had shewn in coming. For, in an affembly which he called, after making severe remarks on Manlius's running away from the camp, which were very offensive to the ears of the foldiers, as they themselves had begun the flight; and, after railing at Marcus Junius, as having made himself a sharer in the disgrace of his colleague, he, at last, ordered both of them to quit the province. They replied, that when the conful should come, in the regular manner, agreeable to ancient practice; when he should set out from the City,

city, after offering vows in the Capitol, attended by BOOK his lictors, and dressed in the military habit, then XLI. they would obey his orders. This threw him into Y.R. 575. fuch a furious rage, that he called the person who B. C. 127. acted as quæstor to Manlius, and ordered him to bring fetters, threatening to fend Junius and Manlius to Rome in chains. This man, too, slighted the conful's command; and the furrounding crowd of foldiers, who favoured the cause of their commanders, and were incenfed against the consul, supplied him with resolution to resuse obedience. last the consul, overpowered by the reproaches of individuals and the scoffs of the multitude, for they even turned him into ridicule, went back to Aquileis in the same ship that had brought him. From thence he wrote to his colleague, desiring him to give notice to that part of the new-raised troops. who were enlisted for Istria, to assemble at Aquileia, in order that he should have no delay at Rome, but, as foon as the ceremony of offering vows was finished. might fet out in the military habit. These directions his colleague punctually executed, and a short day was appointed for the affembling of the troops. Claudius almost overtook his own letter. On his arrival he called an affembly, that he might reprefent the conduct of Manlius and Junius; and, staying only three days in Rome, he offered his yows in the Capitol, put on the military habit, and, attended by his lictors, fet out to his province with the fame rapid speed which he had used in the former journey.

XI. A rew days before his arrival, Junius and Manlius had laid vigorous siege to the town of Nefartium, in which the principal Istrians, and Epulo their king, had shut themselves up. Claudius, bringing thither the two new legions, difinissed the old army, with its commanders, invested the town himself, and prosecuted the siege with regular works. A river which flowed on the outside of the wall, and greatly KOP. AI.

BOOK greatly impeded the proceedings of the besiegers, while it supplied the besieged with a convenience of Y.R. 575. water, he, with many days labour, turned out of its B. C. 177. course, and conveyed away in another channel. This event, of the water being cut off, terrified the Barbarians, as if effected by some supernatural power; yet, still, they entertained no thoughts of peace, but fet about killing their wives and children; exhibiting a spectacle shocking even to their enemies; and, after putting them to death, in open view on the walls, tumbled them down. During this horrid carnage, and the piercing outcries of the women and children, the foldiers, scaling the walls, effected an entrance into the town. As foon as their king heard the uproar, and understood, from the cries of terror uttered by the flying inhabitants, that the place was taken, he plunged his fword into his breast, that he might not be taken alive: the rest were either killed or made prisoners. After this, two other towns, Mutila and Faveria, were taken by ftorm, and destroyed. The booty, which exceeded expectation, confidering the poverty of the nation, was all given up to the soldiers. Five thoufand fix hundred and thirty-two persons were sold by auction, and the fomenters of the war were beaten with rods and beheaded. By the destruction of these three towns, and the death of the king, the whole

XII. For some time before the conclusion of the war of Istria, the Ligurians had begun to hold consultations about the renewal of hostilities. Tiberius Claudius, proconsul, who had been consult the year before, at the head of one legion, posted at Pisæ, held the government of that province. He gave information to the senate, by letter, of their proceedings; and they ordered, that "the same "letter"

country of Istria was brought to terms of peace; and every one of its states gave hostages, and sub-

mitted to the dominion of the Romans.

" letter should be carried to Caius Claudius," for BOOK the other conful had already croffed over into Sardinia; and they added a decree, that, peace being Y.R. 575. established in the province of Istria, he should, if he B. C. 177. thought proper, lead his army into Liguria. At the same time, a supplication, for two days, was decreed, in consequence of the account given by the conful, in his letter, of his services performed in Istria. The other conful, Sempronius, likewise, was fuccessful in his operations in Sardinia. He led his army into the territory of the Ilian tribe of Sardinians, who had received a powerful reinforcement from the Balarians. He fought a pitched battle against the combined forces of the two states, defeated and put them to flight, and made himself master of their camp, having killed twelve thoufand of their men. Next day, the conful ordered their arms to be gathered into a heap and burned, as an offering to Vulcan. He then led back his victorious troops into winter-quarters in the allied cities. Caius Claudius, on receipt of the letter of Tiberius Claudius, and the decree of the senate, marched his legions out of Islria into Liguria. The enemy, having advanced into the plains, were encamped on the river Scultenna. Here, a pitched battle was fought, in which fifteen thousand of the enemy were killed, and about seven hundred taken in the fight and in the camp, for that too was stormed; and also fifty-one military standards were taken. The Liqurians, who furvived, fled back into the mountains; the conful ravaged all the low country, but met, nowhere, any appearance of arms. Claudius, having thus in one year subdued two nations, and, what has rarely been atchieved, in a fingle confulate, completed the reduction of two provinces, came home to Rome.

XIII. SEVERAL prodigies were reported this year: that, at Crukuminum, a kind of vulture,

BOOK which they call the Bloodsucker, cut a sacred stone with its beak; that a cow spoke, in Campania; Y.R. 575. that, at Syracuse, a brazen statue of a cow was B. C. 177. mounted by a farmer's bull, which had strayed from A fupplication, of one day, was perthe herd. formed in Crustuminum, on the spot; the cow, in Campania, was ordered to be maintained at the public expence, and the prodigy at Syracuse was expiated according to directions given by the arufpices, respecting the deities to whom supplications should be offered. This year died, in the office of pontiff, Marcus Claudius Marcellus, who had been conful and cenfor, and his fon, Marcus Marcellus, was chosen into the vacant place. The same year a colony of two thousand Roman citizens was settled at Luna, under the care of Publius Ælius, Lucius Egilius, and Cneius Sicinius, who allotted to each fifty-one acres and a half of land. This land had been taken from the Ligurians, and had been the property of the Etrurians, before it fell into their possession. Caius Claudius, consul, arrived at the city, and, after laying before the senate a detail of his successful services in Istria and Liguria, demanded a triumph, which was granted. He triumphed, in office, over the two nations at once. In this procession he carrried three hundred and seven thousand denariuses*, and eighty-five thousand seven hundred and two quinariuses t. To each soldier he gave fifteen denariuses 1, double to a centurion, triple to a horseman. The allied soldiers received less, by half, than the native troops, for which reason they followed his chariot in filence, to shew their disgust.

XIV. WHILE this triumphing was celebrated over the Ligurians, that people, perceiving that not only the consular army had been taken home to Rome, but also that the legion at Pise had been

^{*. 9914} l, 0%, 18d. † 1385 l, 125. 2d. † 98. 8de disbanded

disbanded by Tiberius Claudius, laid aside their sears, 300 K and, collecting an army, fecretly croffed the mountains, by winding paths, and came down into the Y.R. 575. plains; where, after ravaging the lands of Mutina, B.C. 177. by a sudden assault they gained possession of the city itself. When an account of this was brought to Rome, the senate ordered Caius Claudius, the conful, to hold the elections as foon as he could, and, after appointing magistrates for the ensuing year, to go back to his province, and rescue the colony out of the hands of the enemy. The elections were held, as the fenate had directed, and Cneius Cornelius Scipio Hispalus, with Quintus Petillius Spurinus, were chosen consuls. Then were elected prætors, Marcus Popillius Lænas, Publius Licinius Crassius, Marcus Cornelius Scipio, Lucius Papirius Maso, Marcus Aburius, and Lucius Aquilius Gallus. ·Caius Claudius, conful, was continued in command for a year in the province of Gaul; and he was ordered, left the Istrians should follow the example of the Ligurians, to fend into Istria the allied Latine troops, which he had brought home to attend his triumph. When the confuls, Cneius Cornelius and Quintus Y.R. 576. Petillius, on the day of their commencement in B. C. 176. office, facrificed each an ox to Jupiter, according to custom, the head of the liver was not found in the victim facrificed by Petillius; which being reported to the senate, he was ordered to sacrifice other oxen until he should find the omens favourable. The senate then proceeded to the disposal of the provinces, and decreed, that Pisæ and Liguria should be the provinces of the confuls; and that he, to whose lot Pisæ fell, should, at the time of the elections, come home to prefide at them; and directions were added, that they should enlist, each, two new legions, and three hundred horse; and should order the allies, and Latine confederates, to furnish ten thousand foot and six hundred horse to Tiberius Claudius was continued in comeach. e 3

BOOK mand until such time as the consul should arrive in the province.

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XV. While the senate was employed in these affairs, Caius Cornelius, being called by a messenger, went out of the senate-house; and, after a short time, returned, with a troubled countenance, and told the Conscript Fathers, that the liver of a fat ox, which he had facrificed, had melted away; that when this was told to him, by the person who dressed the victims, he did not believe it, but went himself, and ordered the water to be poured out of the vessel in which the entrails were boiled; when he saw the rest of the entrails entire, but the liver had been unaccountably confumed. While the Fathers were under much terror, on account of this prodigy, their alarm was augmented by the other conful, who informed them, that, on account of the first victim having wanted the head of the liver, he had facrificed three oxen, and had not yet found favourable omens. The senate ordered him to continue sacrificing the larger victims until the omens should prove favourable. It is said, that the victims offered to the other deities, at length, presented good omens; but that in those offered to Health, Petillius could find none such. Then the consuls and prætors cast lots for their provinces, when Pisæ sell to Cneius Cornelius. Liguria to Petillius; of the prætors, Lucius Papirius Maso obtained the city jurisdiction; Marcus Abutius, the foreign; Marcus Cornelius Scipio Maluginensis, the farther Spain; Lucius Aquilius Gallus, Sicily. Two of them petitioned to be excused from going into their provinces. First, Marcus Popillius requested he might not be obliged to go to Sardinia, alleging, that "Gracchus was " bringing that province into a state of tranquillity; " that the senate had assigned him the prætor, Titus "Æbutius, as an assistant; and that it was by no " means expedient to interrupt the train of buliness,

for the completion of which there was no method B 00 K fo efficacious as the continuing the management XLI. in the same hands; for, between the transferring Y.R. 576. of the command, and the successor coming, a B.C. 176. ftranger to the business of the province, of which er he must acquire a knowledge before he can pro-" ceed to action, it often happened, that very favourable opportunities were lost." The excuse of Popillius was admitted. Then Publius Licinius Bassus alleged, that he was prevented from going into his province by folemn facrifices, necessarily to be performed. The province which had fallen to his lot, was the hither Spain. But he was ordered either to go, or to swear, in the public assembly, that what hindered him was, the performance of folemn anniversary sacrifices. When this determination was made in the case of Publius Licinius, Marcus Cornelius demanded that his oath, of the like import might be admitted as an excuse for his not going into the farther Spain. Both the prætors accordingly took an oath in the same words. It was ordered. that Marcus Titinius and Titus Fonteius, proconfuls, should remain in Spain, with the same authority of command; and that a reinforcement should be fent to them, of three thousand Roman foot, with three hundred horse; and five hundred Latine soot, with three hundred horse.

XVI. THE Latine festival was celebrated on the third day before the nones of May *; and because, on the offering of one of the victims, the magistrate had not prayed for the ROMAN PEOPLE, THE QUIRITES, a scruple arose concerning the validity of the performance. The matter being laid before the senate, and referred by them to the college of pontiffs, the latter determined, that the Latine sessival had not been duly performed, and must be repeated;

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B Q O K and that the Lanuvians, who had given cause for the

XLI. repetition, should furnish the victims. Besides the Y.R. 576. concern, excited by matters of a religious nature, B. C. 176. another incident caused no small degree of uneasiness. The conful, Cneius Cornelius, as he was returning from the Alban mount, fell down, and loft the ule of one-half of his limbs; he was carried to the waters of Cumæ, where, his diforder fill increasing, he died. His body was conveyed thence to Rome to be buried, and the funeral obsequies were performed with great magnificence. He was likewise a pontist. The other conful, Quintus Petillius, was ordered to hold an affembly, as foon as the autoices could be taken, for the election of a conful in the room of his late colleague, and to proclaim the Latine fellival. Accordingly, by proclamation, he fixed the élection for the third day before the nones of August *, and the Latine festival for the third before the ides of the fame month t. While people's minds were much troubled, from the apprehension of the dif-'pleasure of the gods, to add thereto, several prodigies were reported to have happened: that a blazing torch was feen in the fky at Tufculum; that the temple of Apollo, and many private buildings, at Gabii, and a wall and gate at Graviscae, were struck by lightning. The senate ordered these to be expiated as the pontiffs should direct. While the consuls were detained, at first, by religious ceremonies, and, afterwards, one of them, by the death of the other, and then, by the election, and the repetition of the Latine fellival, Caius Claudius marched the army to Mutina, which the Ligurians had taken the 'year before. Within three days from the commentement of the fiege he retook it, and delivered it back to the colonilis: on this occasion eight thouland Ligurians were killed within the walls. He immediately dispatched a letter to Rome, in which

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he not only represented this success, but likewise BOOK boasted, that, through his good conduct and good fortune, there was not one enemy of the Roman Y.R. 576. people left on this fide the Alps; and that a large B. C. 176. tract of land had been taken, sufficient, if distributed in shares, for the accommodation of many thousand people.

XVII. During the same period, Tiberius Sempronius, after gaining many victories, and killing fifteen thousand of the enemy, totally subdued the Sardinians, and reduced, under the Roman domimion, every state in the island that had revolted. On those which had formerly been tributary, double taxes were imposed and levied; the rest paid a contribution in corn. When he had thus restored peace in the province, and received hostages from all parts of the island, to the number of two hundred and thirty, he fent deputies to Rome, to give information of these transactions, and to request of the senate, that in consideration of those services, performed under the conduct and auspices of Tiberius Sempronius, a thanksgiving might be offered to the immortal gods, and permission granted him to quit the province, and bring home the army with him. The fenate gave audience to the deputies in the temple of Apollo, ordered a thanksgiving for two days, and that the confuls should facrifice forty victims of the larger kinds; but commanded the proconful, Tiberius Sempronius, and his army, to contime in the province for the year. Then the election for filling the vacant place of a conful, which had been fixed by proclamation for the third day before the nones of August *, was finished in one day, and the conful, Quintus Petillius, declared ·Caius Valerius Lævinus duly elected his colleague, who was to assume immediately the administration

BOOK of his office. This man had been long ambitious of the government of a province, and, very scasonably Y.R. 576. for the gratification of his wishes, a letter now ar-A.C. 176. rived, with intelligence, that the Ligurians were again in arms. Wherefore, on the nones of August*, he assumed the military habit, and ordered that, on account of this alarm, the third legion should march into Gaul, and join Caius Claudius, proconful, and that the commanders of the fleet should sail with their ships to Pisæ, and coast along the Ligurian shore, to terrify that people by the fight of a naval power also. The other consul. Quintus Petillius, had appointed a day for his troops to assemble in the same place. On the other hand, Caius Claudius, proconsul, on hearing of the rebelhion in Liguria, hastily collected some soldiers, in addition to those whom he had with him at Parma, and with this force marched to the frontiers of Liguria.

> XVIII. On the approach of Caius Claudius, the enemy, reflecting that this was the same commander who had defeated them at the river Scultenna, refolved to rely on situation, rather than arms, for their defence against a force with which their former thruggle had proved so unsuccessful; with this design, shey took post on two mountains, called Letum and Balista; and, for greater security, they surrounded their encampment with a wall. Some, who were too flow in removing from the low grounds, were furprised, and put to the sword, one thousand five hundred in number. The others kept themselves close on the mountains, and, retaining, in the midst of their fears, their native favage disposition, vented their fury on the prey taken at Mutina; the prifoners they mangled in a shocking manner, and put to death; the cattle they butchered in the temples,

^{• 5}th August,

rather than decently sacrificed; and then, satisfied BOOK with the carnage of living creatures, they turned their fury against things inanimate, dashing against Y.R. 576. the walls even vessels made for use, rather than for B. C. sp6. Quintus Petillius, the conful, fearing that the war might be brought to a conclusion before he arrived in the province, wrote to Caius Claudius to bring the army to meet him in Gaul, telling him, that he would wait for him at the Long Plains. Claudius, immediately on receipt of the letter, marched away out of Liguria, and, at the Long Plains, gave up the command of the army to the consul. To the same place came, in a few days after, the other conful, Caius Valerius. Here they agreed on a division of their forces; but before they separated, both together performed a purification of the troops. They then cast lots for the routes they were to take, it having been resolved that both should not assail the enemy on the same side. Valerius clearly performed his part of the ceremony with propriety, for he did it in the confecrated place; but, with regard to Petillius, as the augurs afterwards pronounced, the procedure was faulty, for he was not in the confecrated place when he put his lot into the urn, which was afterwards carried in. They then began their march in different directions; Petillius led his troops against the ridge of Balista and Letum, which joined the two together with one continued range, and encamped at the foot of it. We are told, that, while he was here encouraging his foldiers, whom he had affembled for the purpose, without reflecting on the ambiguity of the word, he uttered this ominous expression: "Before " night I will have Letum "." He made his troops march up the mountain, in two places, at the fame time. The division, where he commanded in person, advanced briskly; the other was repulsed by

Lethum, the name of the place, in the Latin language, fignified death.

100 K the enemy; and the conful riding up thither, to XLI. remedy the disorder, rallied indeed his troops, but Y.R. 576. exposing himself, too carelessly, in the front, was A. C. 276. pierced through with a javelin, and fell. The commanders of the enemy did not know that he was killed, and the few of his own party, who saw the disafter, carefully covered the body from view, knowing, that, on the concealment of what had happened, the victory depended. The rest of the troops, horse and soot, though deprived of their leader, dislodged the enemy, and took possession of the mountains. Five thousand of the Ligurians were slain, and, of the Roman army, only fifty-two were lost. Besides this evident completion of the unhappy omen, the keeper of the chickens was heard to fay, that there had been a defect in the auspices, and that the conful was not ignorant of it. Caius Valerius, when he was informed of the death of Quintus Petillius, made the army, thus bereft of its commander, join his own; then, attacking the enemy again, he shed copious streams of their blood, to appeale the shade of vis departed colleague. He bad the bonour of a triumph ever the Ligurians. The legion, at whose head the conful was killed, was severely punished by the senate; their year's pay was stopped, and that campaign was not allowed in their number, for not exposing themselves to the enemy's weapons in defence of their commander. About this time ambassadors came to Rome from the Dardanians, who were greatly distressed by the numerous army of Bastarnians, under Clondicus, mensioned above. These ambassadors, after describing the wast multitude of the Bastarmans, their tall and buge bodies, and their daring intrepidity in facing danger, added, that there was an alliance between them and Perseus, and that the Dardanians were really more efraid of bim than even of the Bastarnians; and therefore begged of the senate to send them affiftance. The fenate thereuron decreed, that ambassadors should be sent to examine into the affairs of Macedonia; and Aulus

Aulus Postumius was immediately commissioned to go BOOK The colleagues joined with him were some tbither. young men, that he might have the principal direction Y.R. 776. and management of the embassy. The senate then took B. C. 176. into consideration the election of magistrates for the ensuing year, on which subject there was a long debate; for people skilled in the rules of religion and politics affirmed, that, as the regular confuls of the year had died, one by the fword, the other by fickness, the substituted conful was not qualified to hold the elections. An interregnum, therefore, took place, and the Y.R. 577. interrex elected consuls Publius Mucius Scavola, and B. C. 175. Marcus Amilius Lepidus, a second time. Then were chosen prators, Caius Popillius Lanas, Titus Annius Luscus, Caius Memmius Gallus, Caius Cluvius Saxula, Servius Cornelius Sulla, and Appius Claudius Centho. The provinces assigned to the consuls were Gaul and Liguria. Of the prætorian provinces, Sardinia fell to Cornelius Sulla, and bither Spain to Claudius Centho; but how the rest were distributed is not known. There was a great mortality of cattle this year. The Ligurians, a nation for ever vanquished and for ever rebelling, ravaged the lands of Luna and Pife; and, at the same time, there were alarming rumours of disturbances in Gaul. Lepidus easily quelled the commotions among the Gauls, and then marched over into Liguria. Several states of this country submitted themselves to bis disposal, and be, supposing that the rugged face of the mountains, which they inhabited. contributed to the ferocity of their tempers, followed the example of some former consuls, and brought them down into the plains. Of these the Garulians, Lapicinians, and Hercatians, had lived on the hither fide of the Apennine, and the Brincatians on the farther side.

XIX. On the hither fide of the river Audena Quintus Mucius made war on those who had wasted the lands of Luna and Pife, reduced them all to subiection.

BOOK jection, and stripped them of their arms. On account , of these services in Gaul and Liguria, performed Y.R. 577, under the conduct and auspices of the two consuls, B.C. 175 the senate voted a thanksgiving for three days, and facrifices of forty victims. The commotions, which broke out in Gaul and Liguria, at the beginning of this year, were thus speedily suppressed, without any great difficulty; but the apprehensions of the public, respecting a war with Macedonia, still continued. For Perseus laboured to embroil the Bastarnians with the Dardanians; and the ambassadors, sent to examine into the state of affairs in Macedonia, returned to Rome, and brought certain information, that war had commenced in Dardania. At the same time, came envoys from king Perseus, with assurances, that he had neither invited the Bastarnians, nor countenanced any of their proceedings. fenate neither acquitted the king of the imputation, nor urged it against him; they only ordered warning to be given him, to be very careful to shew, that he considered the treaty between him and the Romans. The Dardanians, perceiving that the as inviolable. Bastarnians, so far from quitting their country, as they had hoped, became daily more troublesome, as they were supported by the neighbouring Thracians and Scordiscians, thought it necessary to make fome effort against them, though without any reafonable prospect of success. Accordingly, they asfembled together in arms, from all quarters, to the town that was nearest to the camp of the Bastarnians. It was now winter, and they chose that season of the year, as fuppoling that the Thracians and Scordifcans would go home to their own countries. foon as they heard that these were gone, and the Bastarnians left by themselves, they divided their forces into two parts, that one might march openly along the straight road to attack the enemy; and that the other, going round through a wood, which lay out of fight, might affault them on the rear. But,

But, before these could get round the enemy's camp, BOOK the fight commenced, and the Dardanians were beaten, and pursued to the town, which was about Y.R. 577. twelve miles from the Bastarnian camp. The victors B.C. 875. immediately invested the town, not doubting that, on the day following, either the enemy would furrender it, or they might take it by storm. while, the other body of Dardanians, which had gone round, not having heard of the defeat of their countrymen, eafily possessed themselves of the camp of the Bastarnians, which had been left without a guard. The Bastarnians, thus deprived of all their provisions and warlike stores, by the loss of their camp, and haveing no means of replacing them, in a bostile country, and at that unfavourable feafon, resolved to return to their native bome. When, on their way homeward, they arrived at the Danube, they found it, to their great joy, covered with ice so thick as to seem capable of sustaining any weight. But, when it came to be pressed under the immense weight of the whole body of men and cattle, crowding together in their hafte, after supporting the burthen for a long time, it suddenly split into numberless pieces, and plunged the entire multitude in the deep. The greatest part were instantly swallowed up; many, striving to swim out, were sunk by the fragments of the ice, and a very few escaped to either bank, none without being severely cut or bruised. About this time, Antiochus, son to Antiochus the Great, who had been, for a long time, an hostage at Rome, came into possession of the kingdom of Syria, on the death of his brother Seleucus. For Seleucus, whom the Greeks call Philopator, baving received the kingdom of Syria greatly debilitated by the misfortunes of bis father, during a reign of twelve years, never diftinguished bimself by any memorable enterprise, and, at this time, called home from Rome this his younger brother, sending, in his stead, his own son Demetrius, according to the terms of the treaty, which allowed the changing of the hostages from time to time. tiochus

THE HISTORY BOOK tiochus had but just reached Athens on his way, when . Seleucus was murdered, in consequence of a conspiracy. Y. R. 577. formed by Heliodorus, one of the nobles. This man B. C. 175. aimed at the crown for himself, but was obliged to fly by Attalus and Eumenes, who put Antiochus in pofsession of it, expetting great advantages to themselves from baving bim bound to them in gratitude for a fervice so important. They, now, began to barbour some realousy of the Romans, on account of several trifling causes of disgust. Antiochus was received by the people with such transports of joy, that they gave bimthe furname of Epiphanes, or Rifing Star, because, when aliens to the royal blood were about to feize the sbrone, be appeared, like a propitious star, to assert bis bereditary right. He was not deficient in capacity or vigour of mind to make a figure in war; but such perversity and indiscretion prevailed in his whole condust and behaviour, that they soon changed the surname which they had given bine, and, instead of Epiphanes, called bim Epimanes, or madman; for many were the alls of folly, or madness, which he committed. He used, frequently, to go out, without the knowledge of any of his servants, clad in garments embroidered with gold; and, at one time, to annoy the passengers, by throwing stones at them; at another, to amuse bimself by flinging bandfuls of money among the crowd, to be scrambled for. He allowed bimself to commit the mc& egregious follies, and the vilest indecencies, in common tippling bouses, and in the public baths; drinking with. frangers, and minging with the lowest of the people. Among many other instances of his folly it is mentioned, that beused to lay aside his royal robes, and, instead of them, put on a gown, as be bad seen the candidates for office. do at Rome, and then go about the Forum faluting and embracing each of the plebeians; foliciting at one time for the adileship, at another for the plebeign tribuneship, until at last be obtained the office by the suffrages of the people, and then, according to the Roman

cultom, he took his feat in an ivory chair, where he

heard

heard causes, and listened to debates on the most BOOK XLI.

XLI. Y.R. 577.

XX. He never thought of adhering to any rule, B.C. 175. but rambled incessantly, adopting, by turns, every different kind of behaviour, infomuch, that neither he himself, nor others, could judge, with certainty, what his real character was. Sometimes he would not speak to his friends, nor scarcely afford a civil smile to his acquaintance. By a preposterous kind of liberality, he made himself and others subjects of ridicule; for to some, in the most elevated stations, and who thought highly of themselves, he would give childish presents of sweetmeats, cakes, or toys; and to others, who, having no claims, expected nothing, he would give large fums of money. Wherefore to many he appeared not to know what he was doing: some said that he acted from a filly sportive temper, others, that he was evidently a:ad. In two great and honourable instances, however, he shewed a spirit truly royal in the presents which he made to feveral cities, and the honour he paid to the gods. To the inhabitants of Megalopolis in Arcadia, he made a promise to build a wall round their city, and he gave them the greater part of the money requifite for the purpose. At Tegea he began to build a magnificent theatre of marble. At Cyzicum, he presented a set of golden utensils for the service of one table in the Prytaneum, the state-room of the city, where such as are entitled to that honour dine together. To the Rhodians he gave presents of every kind that their convenience required, but Of the magninone very remarkable in itself. ficence of his notions, in every thing respecting the gods, the temple of Jupiter Olympius, Athens, was, of itself, a sufficient testimony; being the only one in the world the plan of which was fuitable to the greatness of the deity. He likewife ornamented Delos with altars of extraordinary beauty, VOL. VI.

BOOK beauty, and abundance of statues. A magnificent XLI. temple of Jupiter Capitolinus, which he promised Y.R. 577. to build at Antioch, of which not only the ceilings, B. C. 175 but all the walls were to be covered with plates of gold, and many other edifices which he intended in

various places, he did not finish, as his reign was short. His magnificence in the exhibition of public shews, also, surpassed that of all former kings, both by the uncommon splendour of the performances, usual in his own kingdom, and by the great number of Grecian performers. He gave a shew of gladiators, in the Roman manner, which, at first, among a people unaccustomed to such fights, caused more terror than pleasure; but, in a course of some time, by frequently repeating such shews, and sometimes permitting the combatants to go no farther than wounds, at other times to proceed to extremities, he rendered such kind of shews not only familiar to people's eyes, but even agreeable, and kindled in the young men, a passion for arms; infomuch that, although, at the beginning, he was obliged to entice gladiators from Rome, by high rewards, be foon found enough in his own dominions willing to perform for a moderate bire. The shews, which be exhibited, formed, in every respect, a persect controst to his own character, which was a compound of every thing that was absurd and trifling: nothing could be more magnificent than these were; nothing more vile and contemptible than the king himself. To return, bewever, to the Roman affairs, from which the mention of this king has caused us to digress too far. Tilerius Sempronius Gracebus, after bolding the government of Sardinia two years, resigned it to Servius Cornelius Sulla, the præter, and, coming home to Reme, triumphed over the Sardinians. We are told that he brought such a multitude of captives from that iffand, that from the long continuance of the fale, "Sardinians for fale," became a vulgar

proverb, to denote things of little price. Both the con-

fuls, also, triumphed; Scavola over the Ligurians, Lepidus

Lepidus over them, and also over the Gauls. Then BOOK were held the elections of magistrates for the ensuing year. Spurius Postumius Albinus and Quintus Mu- Y.R. 578. cius Scavola were chosen consuls. In the election of B.C. 174. prætors, there bappened a particular competition between Lucius or Cheius Cornelius Scipio, son of Publius Africanus, and Caius Cicereius, who had been his father's secretary. For, after five prætors had been declared, Caius Cassius Longinus, Publius Furius Philus, Lucius Claudius Asellus, Marcus Atilius Serranus, and Cneius Servilius Capio; although Scifis struggled hard to be admitted, even in the last place, yet be was thought to have degenerated so far from the virtues of his father, that every one of the centuries would have given the preference to Cicereius, had not the latter, with fingular modesty, withdrawn bimself. He could not reconcile it to bimself, that, in a disputed election, be should gain the victory over the son of his patron, but, immediately, throwing off the white gown, from a competitor sure of success, he became the grateful friend, and supporter of the interest of his rival. Thus, by the help of Cicereius, Scipio obtained a post which he would never have procured from the people, and which reflected greater honour on Cicereius, than on himself.

XXI. The provinces offigned to the confuls were Gaul and Liguria. On the prators casting lots, the city jurisdiction fell to Caius Cassius Longinus, and the foreign, to Lucius Cornelius Scipio. The province of Sardinia fell to the lot of Marcus Atilius, who was ordered to fail over to Corsica, with a new legion, raifed by the confuls, confitting of five thousand foot and three hundred horse; and while he was engaged in carrying on the war there, Cornelius was continued in command, that he might hold the government of Sardinia. To Cneius Servilius Cæpio for the fervice of the farther Spain, and to Publius Furius Philus for that of the hither Spain, were affigned, to each, three thousand Roman foot, with one hundred and

BOOK fifty horse, and five thousand Latine foot with three hundred horse. Sicily was decreed to Lucius Clau-Y.R. 578. dius without any reinforcement. The confuls were B. C. 174 ordered to levy two more legions, of the regular numbers in foot and horse, and to call on the allies for ten thousand foot and fix hundred horse. consuls met great difficulty in making the levies; the pestilence which, the year before, had fallen on the cattle, having, in the present year, attacked the human species. Such as were seized by it, seldom survived the seventh day; and those who did survive it, lingered under a tedious disorder, which generally turned to a quartan ague. The mortality was greatest among the slaves, of whom heaps lay unburied on all the roads. Nor were there conductors of funerals fufficient to bury even the people of free condition. The bodies were confumed by putrefaction, without being touched by the dogs or vultures; and it was universally observed, that, during that and the preceding year, while the mortality of cattle and men was fo great, no vultures were any where feen. Of the public priefts, there died, by this pestilence, Cneius Servilius Cæpio, father of the prætor, a pontiff; Tiberius Sempronius Longus, fon of Tiberius, decemvir of religious rites; Publius Ælius Pætus, and Tiberius Sempronius Gracchus, augurs; Caius Mamilius Vitulus, chief curio; and Marcus Sempronius Tuditanus, a pontiff. the vacant places of pontiffs* were chosen Caius Sulpicius Galba, in the room of Tuditanus. gurs were appointed, Titus Veturius Gracchus Sempronianus, in place of Gracchus; and Quintus Ælius Pætus, in place of Publius Ælius. Caius Sempronius Longus, was made decemvir of religious rites. and Caius Scribonius Curio, chief curio. plague continuing, the senate voted that the decemvirs should consult the Sibylline books, and, by their directions, a supplication of one day was per-

[•] So in the original; the name of the person who was chosen in the room of Capio being lost.

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formed, and the people, assembled in the Forum, BOOK made a vow, in words dictated by Quintus Marcius Philippus, that " if the fickness and pestilence should Y.R. 578. " be removed out of the Roman territory, they B. C. 174. would solemnize a sestival, and thanksgiving, of two days' continuance." In the district of Veii, a boy was born with two heads; at Sinuessa, one with a fingle hand; and, at Oximum, a girl with teeth; in the middle of the day, the sky being perfectly clear, a rainbow was feen, stretching over the temple of Saturn, in the Roman Forum, and three suns shone at once; and, the following night, many lights were seen, gliding through the air, about Lanuvium. The people of Cære affirmed that there had appeared in their town a fnake, with a mane, having its body marked with spots like gold; and it was fully proved, that an ox had spoken in Campania.

XXII. On the nanes of June*, the ambassadors returned from Africa. They had first waited on king Mafinissa; whence they proceeded to Carthage; but they received much more certain information respecting the proceedings at Carthage, from the king, than from the Carthaginians themselves. They said, they had fufficient proof, that ambassadors had come from king Perseus, and that the senate had given them audience, by night, in the temple of Æsculapius; and the king afferted, that the Carthaginians had fent ambassadors to Macedonia, which they themselves did not positively deny. The senate, hereupon, resolved, that ambassadors should be sent to Macedonia, and three were fent accordingly; Caius Lælius, Marcus Valerius Messala, and Sextus Digitius. About this time, Perseus, in order to chastise some of the Dolopians, who were refractory, and infifted on the matters in dispute being determined by the Romans, and not by the king, marched an army into their country, and reduced the whole nation under his jurisdiction

^{* 7}th of June.

BOOK and dominion. Thence he passed through the mountains of Œta, and, on account of some religious Y.R. 578. scruples affecting his mind, went up to Delphos, to B. C. 174. apply to the oracle. His fudden appearance, in the middle of Greece, caused a great alarm, not only in the neighbouring states, but even in Asia, whither an account of the disturbance was brought to king Eumenes. He staid only three days at Delphos, and then returned to his own dominions, through Phthiotis, Achaia, and Theffaly, without doing the least injury or damage to the countries through which he passed. Nor did he think it sufficient to conciliate the esteem of those states through which his road lay; but he dispatched either ambassadors, or letters, to every one of the Grecian states, requesting them to "think no more of the animosi-" ties, which had subsisted between them and his fa-"ther; for they had not been so violent that they " might not, and ought not, to la dropped between "them and him. On his part, there was no kind " of obstacle to the forming of a cordial friendship." Above all, he wished, particularly, to find some way of ingratiating himself with the Achæan nation,

> XXIII. This nation, and the state of Athens, had carried their resentment to such a length, as to prohibit the Macedonians entering their territories. In consequence of this, Macedonia became a place of refuge for slaves running away out of Achaia; for, as the Achæans had forbidden the inhabitants of Macedonia to fet foot in their territories, they could not prefume to pass the boundaries of that kingdom. When Perseus observed this, he seized all the sugitives, and wrote a letter to the Achaens, telling them, that, out of good will toward them, he had fent bome their slaves who had fled into his dominions; but that they ought to consider of the proper means of preventing such elopements of their slaves for the future. When this letter was read by the prætor Xenarchus, who wished to ingratiate himself with the

king, most of those present, but especially those who BOOK were to recover their lost slaves, commended the moderation and kindness with which it was written; but Y.R. 578. Callicrates, one of those who thought that the safety of B. C. 174. the nation depended on the treaty with Rome being preserved inviolate, delivered his sentiments to this effect :- " Achæans, some of you seem to think the bu-" finess, at present under consideration, trisling, or, at " most, of but little consequence. Now, for my part, " I think it of the utmost importance; and that, in-" stead of being under consideration, it is already in " a manner decided. For we, who prohibited the kings of Macedonia, and all their subjects, from " entering our territories, and made a perpetual de-" cree, not to receive from those kings either am-" baffadors or messengers, who might attempt to " withdraw some of us from our duty, nevertheless, " listen to what may, in some measure, be deemed " the discourse of the king, though absent, and what " is more, approve of his discourse. Although " brute bealts generally reject and shun the food laid in their way for their destruction; yet we, blinded " by the specious offer of an insignificant favour, " swallow the bait, and for the sake of recovering a " parcel of wretched flaves, of no value worth men-"tioning, fuffer our independence to be undermined " and subverted. Is there a man among you who " does not see, that the result expected from this " business, is an alliance with the king, and con-" fequently a diffolution of the treaty with Rome, "the grand support of all our interests? That there " must be a war between Perseus and the Romans, is not, I believe, a matter of doubt; it was ex-" pected during the life of Philip, and would have ce taken place, if his death had not interrupted its or progress; it will, now, that he is dead, most certain-" ly take place. Pailip, you all know, had two fons, " Demetrius and Perseus. Demetrius was far superior " in birth, on the mother's side, in merit, capacity, D 4

BOOK " and in the efteem of the Macedonian nation. But " Philip, having set up the crown as the prize of ha-Y.R. 578. " tred towards the Romans, put Demetrius to death, B. C. 174. " for no other crime than having contracted a friend-" ship with that people; and raised Perseus to the " throne, because he knew that his own antipathy to "the Romans would descend to him, with the " crown. Accordingly, how has the present king " employed himself since his father's death, but in " preparing for the war? In the first place, to the " terror of all the furrounding nations, he brought " the Bastarnians into Dardania; where, if they had " kept a lasting settlement, they would have proved " more troublesome neighbours to Greece, than the " Gauls are to Asia. Disappointed in that hope, yet " he did not drop his design of a war; nay, if we " choose to speak the truth, he has already com-" menced hostilities. He subdued Dolopia, by force " of arms; and would not liften to their appeal to " the arbitration of the Romans. Then, croffing Eta, that he might shew himself in the very heart "of Greece, he went up to Delphos. What, think " you, was his view in taking a journey so uncom-" mon? He next traversed Thessaly; and as to his " refraining on his rout, from doing injury to the er people whom he hated, I dread his machinations " the more on that very account. He then fent a ce letter to us, with a shew of an act of kindness, and " bids us confider of fuch measures as may prevent " our needing the same in suture; that is, to repeal the decree by which the Macedonians are exclud-" ed from Peloponnesus, to see again ambassadors " from the king, intimacies contracted with his " principal subjects, and, in a short time, Macedo-" nian armies, himself at their head, crossing over " the narrow streight from Delphos into Pelopon-" nefus, and to be blended together with the Ma-« cedonians, while they are arming themselves « against the Romans. My opinion is, that we

es ought not to resolve on any new measure, but to BOOK XLI

es keep every thing in its present state, until the
question shall be decided with certainty, whether Y.R. 578.

es these our sears be well or ill grounded. If the B.C. 276.

es peace between the Romans and Macedonians shall
continue inviolate, then may we also have a
friendship and intercourse with the Macedonians;
but to think of such a measure, at present, appears
to me both premature and dangerous."

XXIV. AFTER him, Arco, brother to the prætor Xenarchus, said:—" Callicrates has laid me, and « every one who differs in opinion from him, under a " difficulty, in delivering our fentiments; for, after " his pleading as an advocate, in favour of the Roes man alliance, and alleging designs formed, and at-" tacks meditated against it; although there be no " defign formed, or attack meditated, yet, whoever " diffents from him, must feem to argue against the er cause of the Romans. In the first place, as if he had on not been all the time here with us; but had just now come out of the senate-house of the Roman people, or had been admitted into the privy councils of kings, he knows and tells us every transaction that passed in secret. Nay more, inspired with a divining faculty, he pronounces what would have happened if Philip had lived, how Perseus became heir of the kingdom; what are the intentions of the Macedoinians, and what the thoughts of the Romans. But we, who neither know for what cause, nor in what manner, Demetrius perished, nor what Philip would have done, if he had lived, must accommodate our er resolutions to the transactions that have passed in " open view. We know that Perseus, on his coming " to the throne, sent ambassadors to Rome, and re-« ceived the title of king from the senate; and we " hear that ambassadors came from Rome to the "king, and were graciously received by him. " far

BOOK " far as I can judge, all these circumstances prog-" nosticate peace, not war; and the Romans Y. R. 578. " cannot be offended, if, as we followed their lead in B.C. 374. " war, so we follow now their example in peace. " For my part, I cannot see, why we alone, of all " mankind, wage implacable war against the king-"dom of Macedonia. Are we exposed to infult by 44 a close neighbourhood to Macedonia? or are we-" like the Dolopians, whom he subdued lately, the " weakest of all states? No; on the contrary, thanks to the bounty of the gods, we are sufficiently se-" cured, either by our own strength, or by the reof moteness of our fituation. But we have as much " reason to apprehend ill treatment, as the Thessa-" lians and the Ætolians; we have no more credit " or influence with the Romans, though ever their of friends and allies, than the Ætolians who, but es lately, were their enemies. Whatever reciprocal " rights the Ætolians, the Thessalians, the Epirots, " in short, every state in Greece, allow to subsist be-" tween them and the Macedonians, let us allow the fame. Why are we, alone, to carry inveterate ran-" cour so far, as to renounce the common rights of "mankind? Admitting that Philip's conduct was " fuch as to justify our passing the decree against him, " which we did when he was in arms, and making " war on us; yet how has Perseus, a prince just er feated on the throne, whom we cannot charge " with any kind of ill treatment toward us, and who endeavours, by his own kindness, to obliterate " the memory of his father's quarrels, how has he « deserved, at our hands, that we should be his only " enemies? I may go farther, and affirm, that so great have been our obligations to the former "kings of Macedonia, that the ill usage, suffered " from a fingle prince of their line, if any has really " been suffered from Philip, ought to be forgotten, ese pecially after his death, When a Roman fleet was

" lying at Cenchreæ, and the conful, with his army, BOOK " was at Elatia, we were three days in council, deilberating, whether we should follow the Romans or Y. R. 578. "Philip. Now, granting that the fear of immediate B. C. 274. " danger from the Romans had no influence on our " judgments, yet there was, certainly, fomething that " made our deliberation last so long; and that was, the " connection which had long subsisted between us and "the Macedonians; the distinguished favours which " we had, of old, received from their kings. Let "the fame confiderations prevail likewise at present, " not to make us his singular friends, but to hinder us " from becoming his singular enemies. Let us not, "Callicrates, pretend what is not even thought of. " No one advites us to form a new alliance, or fign " a new treaty, by which we might inconsiderately " entangle ourselves, but, merely, to open the inter-" course of affording and demanding justice, and on not by excluding his subjects from our territories, " to exclude our flaves from his dominions; not to " let our flaves have a hiding-place to fly to. How does this operate against the Roman treaty? Why do we give an air of importance and suspicion, to a " matter which is trifling and open to the world? "Why do we raise groundless alarms? Why, for the fake of ingratiating ourselves with the Romans. " render others odious and suspected? If war shall " take place, even Perseus himself does not doubt " our taking part with the Romans. While peace " continues, let animolities, if they are not terminated, " be at least suspended." Those who approved the king's letter, expressed their approbation of this speech; but the chief men in the assembly reprefented it as so humiliating, on their side, that the king, without deigning even to employ an embassy on the occasion, should compass his end by a letter of a few lines, that it was agreed to postpone coming to any resolution on the subject. king, afterwards, fent ambassadors, when the council

B O O K cil was fitting at Megalopolis; but those who dreaded XLI.

a rupture with Rome, took care to prevent their
Y.R. 578. being admitted to audience.
B.C. 274.

XXV. Some time before this, the Ætolians vented their fury on each other, with fuch violence, and so much blood was shed by the contending parties, that the total extinction of the nation feemed to be at no great distance. Then, both parties, being wearied, sent ambaffadors to Rome, and also opened a negotiation between themselves for the restoration of concord: but this was broken off, by a new act of barbarity, which revived their old quarrels. Some exiles from Hypata, who were of the faction of Proxenus, had received a promise of being readmitted into their native city; and Eupolemus, first magistrate of the state, having pledged the public faith for their fecurity, they returned home, to the number of eighty persons of distinction. Eupolemus went out, among the rest of the multitude, to meet them; they were received and faluted with every expression of kindness, and right hands were reciprocally given. But no fooner did they enter the gate, than they were all put to death, while they, in vain, appealed to the faith pledged to them, and the gods who witnessed the transaction. On this, the war blazed out anew, with greater fury than ever. Caius Valerius Lævinus, Appius Claudius Pulcher, Caius Memmius, Marcus Popillius, and Lucius Canuleius, being fent as ambassadors by the senate, arrived The deputies of both parties debatin that country. ed the business before them at Delphos, with great heat on both fides; but Proxenus particularly diftinguished himself, and appeared to have greatly the advantage, both in the merits of his cause, and his talents as an orator. A few days after, he was poifoned by his wife Orthobula, who, being convicted of the crime, went into banishment. Crete was torn in pieces by the same kind of madness; but, on the arrival of Quintus Minucius, lieutenant-general, who BOOK was sent wish ten ships, to quiet their contentions, the inhabitants had some prospect of peace; however, Y.R. 578. they only concluded a suspension of arms for six B. C. 174months, after which the war was again repewed with much greater violence. About this time, the Lycians, too, suffered many hardships from the arms of the Rhodians. But the wars of foreign nations, among themselves, or the several methods in which they were conducted, it is not my business to detail; having, in the relation of those affairs, in which the Roman people was concerned, a talk of more than fufficient weight.

XXVI. In Spain, the Celtiberians, who, fince their reduction by Tiberius Gracchus, and their confequent furrender to him, had remained quiet, while Marcus Titinius, prætor, held the government of the province, on the arrival of Appius Claudius, re-Sumed their arms, and commenced hostilities, with a sudden attack on the Roman camp. At the first dawn, the centinels on the rampart, and the men on guard before the gates, descrying the enemy approaching at a distance, gave the alarm. Claudius instantly displayed the signal of battle; and, after exhorting the troops, in few words, ordered them to rush out of three gates at once. But they were opposed by the Celtiberians in the very passage. out, and, in consequence, the fight was for some time equal on both fides, as, on account of the narrowness of the passage, the Romans could not all come into action. Then, pressing forwards, and following close on each other, they made their way out beyond the trenches, so that they were able to ftretch out their line, until it extended as far as the wings of the enemy, who were endeavouring to furround them; and now they made their onset with fuch sudden impetuosity, that the Celtiberians could not support the affault. Before the second hour, they

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**Y.R. 578. two standards were taken. Their camp, also, was B. C. 174. stormed the same day, and a conclusion put to the war; for those who survived the battle, sled, by different ways, to their several towns, and, thenceforward, submitted quietly to the Roman government.

XXVII. Quintus Fulvius Flaccus and Aulus Postumius being created censors, this year, reviewed Marcus Æmilius Lepidus, chief pontiff, was chosen chief of the senate. Nine senators were expelled. The remarkable censures pronounced, were on Marcus Cornelius Maluginensis, who had been prætor in Spain two years before; on Lucius Cornelius Scipio, then prætor, and exercifing the jurisdiction between natives and foreigners; and on Cneius Fulvius, brother to the cenfor, and, as Valerius Antias says, partner in property. The confuls, after offering their vows in the Capitol, fet out for their provinces. One of them, Marcus Æmilius, was commissioned by the senate to suppress an infurrection of the Patavians in Venetia; for their own ambassadors had given information, that the disputes between contending factions had become so violent as to produce a civil war. The ambaifadors who had gone into Ætolia, to suppress commotions of a fimilar kind, reported on their return, that the outrageous temper of that nation could not be restrained. The conful's arrival among them faved the Patavians from ruin; and having no other business in the province, he returned to Rome. The present cenfors were the first who engaged workmen to pave the streets in the city with slint stones, and to make roads, outfide the city, with gravel, and to form raised foot-ways on the sides. They caused bridges to be erected in several places, and seats in the theatre, to be set apart for the prætors and ædiles; they

fixed up goals in the Circus, and round balls on the BOOK goals for marking the number of courses of the chariots; they also erected iron grates, through which Y.R. 57%. wild beafts might be let in. They cauled the Capi- B. C. 174. toline hill to be paved with flint, and erected a portico from the temple of Saturn, in the Capitol, to the senate-house, and, over that, a public hall. On the outlide of the gate Trigemina, they paved a market-place with stones, and inclosed it with a paling. They repaired the Æmilian portico, and formed an ascent, by stairs, from the Tiber to the market-place. They paved, with flint, the portico. from the same gate to the Aventine, and built a court-house; contracted for walls to be built at Calatia and Oximum, and, felling lots of ground there, which belonged to the public, they employed the money arising from the sale in building shops round the Forums of both places. One of them, Fulvius Flaccus, (for Postumius declared, that, without a decree of the senate, or order of the people, he would, not expend any money belonging to them,) agreed for building a temple of Jupiter at Pisaurum, and another at Fundi; for bringing water to Pollentia, for paving the street of Pisaurum, and for many various works at Sinuessa; among which were, the drawing round a fewer to fall into the river, the inclosing of the Forum with porticoes and shops, and erecting three statues of Janus. These works were all executed under the direction of this one cenfor. and gained him a high degree of favour with those colonists.. These censors were also very active and strict in their superintendence of the morals of the Many knights were deprived of their people. horfes.

XXVIII. At the close of the year, there was a thanksgiving, for one day, on account of the advantages obtained in Spain under the conduct and auspices of Appius Claudius, proconsul; when twenty victims,

BOOK victims, of the larger kinds, were facrificed. There , was also a supplication, for one day, at the temples Y.R. 578- of Ceres, Liber, and Libera, on account of a violent B. C. 174: earthquake which had happened in Sabinia, and demolished a great number of buildings. When Appius Claudius came home from Spain to Rome, the fenate voted that he should enter the city in ovation. The election of confuls now came on, and, after a very warm contest, in consequence of the great number of candidates, the choice fell on Lucius Postumius Albinus and Marcus Popillius Lænas.

Y.R. 579. Then were chosen prætors, Numerius Fabius Bu-3. C. 173. 100, Marcus Matienus, Caius Cicereius, Marcus-Furius Crassipes a second time, Marcus Atilius Serranus a fecond time, and Caius Cluvius Saxula a fecond time. After the elections were finished, Appius Claudius Centho, entering the city in ovation over the Celtiberians, conveyed to the treasury ten thousand pounds weight of silver, and five thousand of gold. Cneius Cornelius was inaugurated flamen of Jupiter. In the same year a tablet was hung up in the temple of Mother Matuta, with this inscription :-- under the command and auspices of TIBERIUS SEMPRONIUS GRACCHUS, AND ARMY OF THE ROMAN PEOPLE SUBDUED SARDINIA; IN WHICH PROVINCE ABOVE EIGHTY THOUSAND OF THE ENEMY WERE KILLED OR TAKEN. HAVING EXECUTED THE BUSINESS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THE HAPPIEST HAVING RECOVERED THE REVENUES, AND RE-STORED THEM to the commonwealth; HE BROUGHT HOME THE ARMY SAFE, UNINJURED, AND RICHED WITH SPOIL, AND, A SECOND TIME, TERED THE CITY OF ROME IN TRIUMPH. COMMEMORATION OF WHICH EVENT SENTED THIS TABLET AN OFFERING TO TUPI-TER. A map of the island of Sardinia was engraved on the tablet, and representations of the battles, fought there, were delineated on it. Several fmall

finall exhibitions of gladiators were given to the BOOK public this year; the only one, particularly remarkable, was that given by Titus Flamininus on occasion Y. R. 579. of his father's death, which was accompanied with a B. C. 173. donation of meat, a feaft, and stage plays, which lasted four days. Yet, in the whole of this great exhibition, only feventy-four men fought in three days. The close of this year was rendered memorable by the proposal of a new and important law, which was debated with great beat. Hitherto, as the law stood, women were equally capable of taking inberit-In consequence of this capacity the ances as men. wealth of the most illustrious bouses was, frequently, transferred into other families, to the great detriment, as was supposed, of the state; to which it was no small advantage, that the descendants of distinguished ancestors should, by their wealth and splendor, be an ornament and defence, rather than, by being reduced to indigence, be a disgrace, and a burden to the public. It was also thought, that, to the weaker sex, wealth might hold out dangerous temptations to luxurious indulgence; and that, fond, by nature, of dissipation, dress, and shew, they might be induced to depart from that sanctity of manners, and purity of conduct, which, of old, were deemed the brightest grnaments of the female character. To obviate these evils, Quintus Voconius Saxa, plebeian tribune, proposed a law to the people, that " no person whatever should make any woman, whether married or unmarried, his beir; " also, that no woman, whether married or unmarried, " Should be capable of taking, by inheritance, goods ex-" ceeding the value of one hundred thousand sesterces "." Voconius, also, thought it proper to provide that estates should not be too much diminished by legacies; or, which sometimes happened, left away entirely from the right beirs. Accordingly be added a clause to his law, that " no person should bequeath to any person or persons,

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BOOK "property exceeding in value what was to go to the "right beirs." This latter clause readily met the Y.R. 579. general approbation; it appeared reasonable, and B. C. 173. likely to be very little grievous to any. But the former clause, utterly disqualifying women from taking inberitances, passed not so easily; there was a strong opposition to it, and a very violent debate, to which, at length, a speech of Marcus Porcius Cato put an end, His strenuous defence of the Oppian law, and bitter investive against the indecorous behaviour of the women, we have already related *. Upon the present occasion be exerted bimself with equal earnestness, nor did be treat the female character with less severity. He declaimed, with great vehemence, against the extravagance and oftentation of the richer matrons, " who," be faid, " retain to themselves large sums " of money, which they do not entrust to the power " of their busbands, but only lend them; and then, " upon any quarrel arifing between them, they send " their own slaves, who importunately demand repay-" ment, and treat the husbands with as much severity se as if they were entire strangers, happening to be " their debtors."-The law paffed, as proposed by Voconius.

Book XXXIV. c. I.

THE

HISTORY OF ROME.

BOOK XLII.

Eumenes, king of Asia, makes beavy complaints and charges, in the senate, against Perseus, king of Macedonia. War declared against Perseus. Publius Licinius Crassus, the conful, to whom the conduct of the war is committed, leads an army into Macedonia; fights Perseus, unsuccessfully, in several small engagements, in Thessaly; at length, defeats him entirely near Phalanna. The senate appealed to by Masinissa and the Carthagimans, in a dispute concerning the bounds of their territories. A cenfus held; the number of Roman citizens found to be, two hundred and fifty seven thousand two hun-Successes against the Corpicans and dred and thirty-one. Ligurians.

I. THE first business which Lucius Postumius Albi- Book nus and Marcus Popillius Lænas brought before the senate, was the distribution of the provinces; Y.R. 579. when Liguria was assigned the joint province of both, B.C. 173. with directions that they should both of them enlist new legions, each having two affigned him for the service of that province, and also ten thousand foot and fix hundred horse, of the Latine consederates; and, as a supplement to the army in Spain, three thousand Roman foot, and two hundred horse. sides these, they were ordered to raise one thousand five hundred Roman foot, and one hundred horse, with

BOOK with which the prætor, to whose lot Sardinla should XLII. fall, might cross over to Corsica, and carry on the Y.R. 579. war there; and it was ordered, that, in the mean B, C. 173. time, the former prætor, Marcus Atilius, should hold the government of that province. The prætors then cast lots for their provinces. Aulus Atilius Serranus obtained the city jurisdiction; Caius Cluvius Saxula, that between natives and foreigners; Numerius Fabius Buteo, hither Spain; Marcus Matienus, farther Spain; Marcus Furius Crassipes, Sicily; and Caius Cicereius, Sardinia. The senate resolved, that, before the magistrates went abroad, one of the confuls, Licius Postumius, should go into Campania, to fix the bounds between the lands, which were private property, and those which belonged to the public; for it was understood that private persons, by gradually extending their bounds, had taken possession of a very considerable share of the public lands. The conful had conceived a great aversion to the people of Præneste, because, on his going thither formerly, in a private capacity, to offer facrifice in the temple of Fortune, they had paid him no compliment either public or private; for which reason, now, before he set out from Rome, he sent a letter to Præneste. ordering the chief magistrate to come out to meet him, and to provide him lodging at the public expence; and that, at his departure, cattle should be ready to carry his baggage. Before him no conful ever put the allies to any trouble or expence whatever. To prevent any fuch thing, those magistrates were furnished with mules, tents, and every other requisite for a campaign, that they might not be under a necessity of exacting such matters from the allies. They had private lodgings, in which they behaved with courtefy and kindness, and their houses at Rome were always open to their hosts with whom they used to lodge. Ambassadors indeed sent to any place, on a fudden emergency, demanded

each a single horse in the several towns through which

their

their journey lay, but no other expence was ever BOOK laid out by the allies on the Roman magistrates. The refentment of the conful, which, even if well Y. R. 5794 founded, ought not to have been exerted, during his B.C. 173. office, and the too modest, or too timid acquiescence of the Prænestines, gave to succeeding magistrates, as if by an approved precedent, the privilege of imposing on the allies other such kinds of burdens, the weight of which was continually increased.

II. In the beginning of this year, the ambassadors, who had been sent to Ætolia and Macedonia, returned, and reported, that "they had not been able to " obtain an interview with the king, some of his " court faying that he was abroad, others that he " was fick; both of which were false pretences. " Nevertheless, they clearly perceived that his inten-" tion was war, and that he would not long defer the " commencement of hostilities. That in Ætolia, " likewise, the diffensions grew daily more violent; " and the leaders of the contending parties were not " to be restrained by their authority." As awar with Macedonia was daily expected, the senate resolved, that, before it broke out, all prodigies should be expiated, and the favour of the gods invoked, in such kind of supplications as should be found directed in the books of the fates. It was faid, that, at Lanuvium, the appearance of large fleets was feen in the sir; that, at Privernum, black wool grew out of the ground; that, in the territory of Veii, at Remens, a shower of stones fell, and that the whole Pomptine district was covered with clouds of locusts; also that, in the Gallic province, where a plow was at work, fishes sprung up from under the earth as it was turned. The books of the fates were confulted concerning these prodigies, and the decemvirs directed both to what gods, and with what victims, facrifices should be offered; that a supplication should

B O O K should be performed, in expiation of the prodigies; and also another, which had been vowed in the pre-Y.R. 579. ceding year for the health of the people, with a so-B. C. 173. lemn seftival. Accordingly, sacrifices were offered agreeable to the written directions of the decemvirs.

> III. In the same year the temple of Juno Lacinia was uncovered. Quintus Fulvius Flaccus, cenfor, was building a temple to Equestrian Fortune, which he had vowed during the Celtiberian war; and he was anxiously desirous that it should not be surpassed by any other temple at Rome, either in size or magnificence. Thinking that it would be a very great embellishment to this temple, if it were roofed with marble, he went to Bruttium, and stripped about the half of the temple of uno Lacinia, for he computed that that would be sufficient to cover the one he was building. Ships were in readiness to take on board and carry off the materials, while the allies were deterred, by the authority of the cenfor, from making opposition to the sacrilege. On his return, the marble was landed, and carried to the temple; but, though he made no mention of the place from which it was brought, yet such an affair could not be concealed. Accordingly, it occasioned confiderable murmuring in the fenate; and all the members expressed their desire that the consuls should take the opinion of the Fathers on the subject. When the cenfor, on being summoned, appeared in the senate-house, they all, both separately, and in a body, inveighed against him with much asperity. cried out, that "he was not content with violating the " most venerable temple in all that part of the world, " a temple which neither Pyrrhus nor Hannibal had " violated; but, he had stripped it shamefully, and at almost demolished it. He had taken off the co-" vering from the temple, and left the naked roof * to be rotted by the rains. Though created cen-

of for, for the purpose of regulating men's manners, and B O O K "bound in duty, according to long established rules, to enforce the repairing of edifices for public wor- Y. R. 579. " ship, and the keeping them in due order, he had B. C. 173. ec nevertheless gone about through the cities of the " allies, stripping the roofs of their facred buildings, " demolishing their temples, and, what might be deemed scandalous, if practised on the private * houses of allies, he committed against the tem-" ples of the immortal gods, and involved the Roee man people in the guilt of impiety; building temor ples with the ruins of other temples, as if the immortal gods were not the same in all places, but "that fome should be decorated with the spoils of others." Such, evidently, appeared to be the fentiments of the senators, before their opinion was asked; and, when the question was put, they unanimoully concurred in voting, that proper persons should be employed, to carry back the marble in, question to the temple, and that atonements should be offered to Juno. What regarded the atonements was carefully executed, but the persons who underrook the repair of the building, made a report, that they were obliged to leave the marble in the court of the temple, because no workman could be found who knew how to replace it.

IV. Or the prætors who set out for the provinces, Numerius Fabius, on his way to hither Spain, died at Marseilles. Envoys, sent by the Massilians, brought an account of this event, on which the senate resolved that Publius Furius and Cneius Servilius, to whom successors had been sent, should cast lots to determine which of them should hold the government of hither Spain, with a continuation of authority; and the lot determined, very commodiously, that Publius Furius, the former governor, should continue. During this year, on its appearing that large tracts of land in Gaul and Liguria, which had

B O O K been taken in war, lay unoccupied, the senate passed , a decree, that those lands should be distributed in sin-Y.R. 579 gle shares; and Aulus Atilius, city prætor, in pursu-B.C. 175 ance of the senate's decree, appointed ten commisfioners for that purpose, Marcus Æmilius Lepidus, Caius Cassius, Titus Æbutius Carus, Caius Tremellius, Publius Cornelius Cethegus, Quintus, and Lucius Appuleius, Marcus Cæcilius, Caius Salonius, and They apportioned ten acres to Caius Munatius. each Roman, and three to each Latine colonist. this time, ambassadors came to Rome from Ætolis with representations of the quarrels and dissensions fubfifting in that country; as did others from Thesfaly, with accounts of the proceedings going on in Macedonia.

> V. Perseus, applying his thoughts to the war, which had been refolved on during the lifetime of his father, endeavoured, by fending embassies, and by promising a great deal more than he performed, to attach to himself not only all the nations of Greece, but also each particular state. The inclinations of that people, in general, were favourable to him, and much better disposed towards him than towards Eumenes, notwithstanding that every state in Greece, and most of its leading men, were under obligations to Eumenes, for valuable prefents, and other acts of kindness; and that, in the administration of government, his conduct was fuch, that none of the states, under his dominion, felt any disposition to change situations with those states which were free. On the other hand, it was currently reported, that Perseus, after his father's death, killed his wife with his own hand; and that, having invited home from exile Appelles, who had formerly been his instrument inhis villanous schemes for the destruction of his brother, and had, on that account, been carefully searched after by Philip, in order to bring him to punishment, and having prevailed on him to return by promifes

mises of the most ample rewards for his services in BOOK that important business, he put him privately to death. Although he had rendered himself infamous by many Y.R. 579. other murders, both of his own relations, and of B. C. 173. others, and possessed not one good quality to recommend him, yet the Grecian states, in general, gave him the preference to a prince of such affection towards his relations, such justice towards his subjects, and fuch liberality towards all mankind; whether they were so prejudiced by the fame and dignity of the Macedonian kings, as to despise a kingdom lately formed, or were led by a wish for a change in affairs, or were defirous of exposing him to the arms of the Romans. The Ætolians were not the only people in a flate of distraction, on account of the intolerable burden of their debts: the Thessalians were in the fame fituation; and the evil, like a contagious pestilence, had spread into Perrhæbia also. As soon as it was known that the Thessalians were in arms, the senate sent Appius Claudius, as ambassador, to examine and adjust their affairs. He severely reprimanded the leaders of both parties; and, after cancelling fo much of the debts, as had been accumulated by iniquitous usury, which he did with the confent of the greater part of the creditors themselves, he ordered the remaining just debts to be discharged by annual payments. In the same manner, the same Appius regulated the business of Perrhæbia. the mean time, Marcellus, at Delphi, gave a hearing to the disputes of the Ætolians, which they maintained with no less hostile acrimony than they had shewn against each other in the heat of their civil Perceiving that both parties vied with each other, in inconsiderate heat and violence, he did not choose to make any determination, to lighten or aggravate the grievances of either, but required of both alike to cease from hostilities, and, forgetting what was past, to put an end to their quarrels. conciliation

B O O K conciliation accordingly took place between them, and was confirmed by a reciprocal exchange of Y.R. 579. hoftages.
B. C. 173.

VI. A MEETING was appointed at Corinth, in order that the hostages might be lodged in that city. On the breaking up of the Ætolian council, Marcellus crossed over from Delphi into Peloponnesus, where he had summoned a diet of the Achæans. There, by the praises which he bestowed on that nation, for having resolutely maintained their old decree, which prohibited the admission of the Macedonian kings within the limits of their territories, he manifested the inveterate hatred of the Romans towards Perseus; and this hatred broke out into effect. the sooner, in consequence of king Eumenes coming to Rome, and bringing with him a written state of the preparations made for war, which he had drawn up, after a full inquiry into every particular. ambaffadors were now fent to the king, to take a view of affairs in Macedonia; and they were ordered to proceed thence to Alexandria, to renew the treaty of friendship with Ptolemy. Caius Valerius, Cneius Lutatius Cerco, Quintus Bæbius Sulca, Marcus Cornelius Mammula, and Marcus Cæcilius Denter. About the same time, came ambassadors from king Antiochus, and the principal of them, called Apollonius, being admitted to audience of the senate, presented, on behalf of his king, many and reasonable apologies for paying the tribute later than the day appointed." "He now," he said, "brought it altogether, that the king might " not trespals on their indulgence, in anyother respect "than that of time. He moreover brought a pre-" fent of golden vases, in weight five hundred pounds. "The king requested, that the same treaty of alli-" ance and amity, which had been made with his fa-" ther, might be renewed with him; and entreated

" the Roman people freely to demand from him BOOK " every service which might be expected from a XLII. " prince fincerely disposed to prove himself a saith- Y.R. 179. They would never find him remiss in B. C. 171. " the performance of any duty towards them. He " had, while in Rome, experienced so great kind-" ness from the senate, and so much courtesy from " the younger part of the community, that, among " all ranks of men, he was treated as a prince, not " as an hostage." A gracious answer was returned to the ambassadors, and Aulus Atilius, city prætor, was ordered to renew with Antiochus the alliance formerly made with his father. The city quæstors received the tribute, and the censors the golden vases, which they were directed to deposit in whatever temples they should judge proper. A present of one hundred thousand ases * was made to the ambassador. and it was ordered, that an entire house should be given him for his accommodation, and his expences defrayed, as long as he should remain in Italy. ambassadors, who had been in Syria, represented him as standing in the highest degree of favour with the king, and a very warm friend to the Romans. Such were the occurrences of this year respecting the provinces.

VII. CAIUS CICEREIUS, prætor in Corsica, fought the enemy in a pitched battle, in which seven thousand of the Corsicans were slain, and more than one thousand seven hundred taken. During the engagement, the prætor vowed a temple to Juno Moneta. Peace was then granted to the Corsicans, on their petitioning for it, and a contribution was imposed, of two hundred thousand pounds weight of wax. Corsica being thus reduced to subjection, Cicereius sailed back to Sardinia. In Liguria, also, a battle was sought in the territory of Statiella, at the town of Carystas. The Ligurians had assembled there a

BOOK numerous army, who, for some time after Marcus Popillius the conful's arrival, kept themselves within Y.R. 579. the walls; but afterwards, seeing the Roman general B. C. 173. threaten to lay siege to the town, they marched out beyond the gates, and drew up in order of battle. Nor did the conful decline an engagement, for that was the point he aimed at in threatening a fiege. The fight was maintained for more than three hours, in such a manner, that the hope of victory leaned to neither fide; but when the conful perceived that the battalions of the Ligurians gave ground no where; he ordered the cavalry to mount their horses, and charge the enemy, in three places at once, with all possible violence. A great part of the cavalry broke through the middle of the enemy's line, and made their way to the rear of the troops engaged, which struck such terror into their whole army that they fled in confusion on all sides. Very sew ran back into the town, because, on that side, chiefly, the cavalry had thrown themselves in their way. A fight so obstinate swept off great numbers of the Ligurians, and many perished in the flight; ten thousand of them are said to have been killed, and more than feven hundred taken, in various places; besides which, the victors brought off eighty-two of their military standards. Nor was the victory gained without loss of blood; above three thousand of the conquerors fell in the conflict, while, neither party giving way, the foremost on both sides were cut off.

> VIII. WHEN the Ligurians, after their dispersion in this defeat, reassembled in one body, they found that a much greater number of their countrymen were lost, than left alive; for there were not above ten thousand men surviving, on which they surrendered themselves. They did not stipulate for any terms, yet they entertained hopes that the conful would not treat them with greater severity, than had been practifed by former commanders. But he immediately stripped them all of their arms, razed their

town, and fold themselves and their effects; and BOOK then he fent a letter to the fenate, relating the fervices which he had performed. When Aulus Atllius Y.R. 579. read this letter in the senate, (for the other consul, B. C. 173. Postumius, was absent, being employed in surveying the lands in Campania,) the proceeding appeared to the senate in a heinous light, "that the people of 5 Statiella, who alone, of all the Ligurian nation, 46 had not borne arms against the Romans, should be attacked, when not offering hostilities, but after " furrendering themselves into the protection of the "Roman people, and should be abused and exterso minated by every instance of the most barbarous se eruelty; that so many thousands of innocent per-" fons, imploring the faith of the Roman people, " should afford an example of such mischievous tendency, enough to deter any one from furrendering to them in future; and that those people, " being dragged away into various parts of the se country, should be made slaves to those who were " formerly the avowed enemies of the Roman people, " though now reduced to quiet. For these reasons " the senate ordered, that the consul, Marcus Po-" pillius, should restore the Ligurians to liberty, re-" paying the purchase-money to the buyers, and " should likewise use his best endeavours to restore so their effects, as far as they could be recovered: " that arms should be made in that nation with all « expedition; and that the conful should retire out « of the province as foon as he should have rein-" stated the Ligurians in the enjoyment of liberty: " for they observed, that victory became honourable w by fubduing opposition, not by cruelty to the van-" quished,"

IX. But the same serocious temper which actuated the consul in his conduct towards the Ligurians, urged him to refuse obedience to the senate. He immediately sent the legions into winter-quarters at Pise.

BOOK Pife, and, full of refentment to the senators, and of wrath against the prætor, went home to Rome; Y.R. 579, where, instantly assembling the senate in the temple B. C. 173. of Bellona, he poured forth a torrent of invectives against the prætor, who, "when he ought to have or proposed to the senate the offering of a thanks-" giving to the immortal gods, for the happy fuc-" cesses obtained by their arms, had procured a de-" cree of the senate against him, in favour of the " enemy; transferring thereby his victory to the "Ligurians; and, though only a prætor, he had " ordered the conful, in a manner, to be furrendered " to them: he therefore gave notice, that he would " fue to have him fined. From the fenate he de-" manded a repeal of their decree passed against " him; and that the thanksgiving, which they ought to have voted on the authority of his letter, fent from abroad, with an account of the fuccess of the arms of the commonwealth, should, now, when he was present, be voted; first, in consideration of " the honour due to the immortal gods, and,-next, " out of some kind of regard to himself." Many of the senators censured him to his face, in terms no less severe than they had used in his absence; and not being able to obtain either of his requests, he returned to his province. The other conful, Postumius, after spending the whole summer in surveying the lands, without even feeing his province, came home to Rome to hold the elections, and elected Caius Popillius Lænas and Publius Ælius Ligus, con-Then were chosen prætors, Caius Licinius Craffus, Marcus Junius Pennus, Spurius Lucretius, Spurius Cluvius, Cneius Sicinius, and Caius Memmius, a second time.

> X. THE lustrum was closed this year. The cenfors were Quintus Fulvius Flaccus and Lucius Postumius Albinus, the latter of whom performed the ceremony. In this survey were rated two hundred and

and fixty-nine thousand and fifteen Roman citizens; BOOK and the number would have been much greater had not the conful, Lucius Postumius, given public or- Y.R. 579. ders, in affembly, that none of the Latine allies, who, B. C. 178. according to the edict of the consul Caius Claudius. ought to have gone home to their own states, should be surveyed at Rome, but all of them in their own respective states. The censors conducted themselves in the office with perfect harmony, and zeal for the public good. They disfranchifed and degraded from their tribes every one whom they expelled the fenate, or from whom they took away his horse; nor did either approve a person censured by the other. Fulvius, fix years after his making the vow, dedicated the temple of Equestrian Fortune, which he had vowed when proconful in Spain, during the battle with the army of the Celtiberians; he also exhibited stage plays during four flays, in one of which the performance was in the Circus. Lucius Cornelius Lentulus, decemvir in religious matters, died this year, and Aulus Postumius Albinus was substituted in his room. Such great clouds of locusts were suddenly brought by the wind over the sea into Apulia, that they covered with their multitudes a great part of the country; in order to remove this pest, so destructive to the fruits of the earth, Caius Sicinius, prætor elect, was fent in command, with a vast multitude of people, to gather them up, which took a confiderable time. The beginning of the year, in which Caius Popillius Y. R. 580. and Publius Ælius were consuls, was employed in B. C. 1721, the disputes which hung over from the last. fenators were defirous that the business respecting the Ligurians should be reconsidered, and the decree renewed; and Ælius, the conful, was willing to propose it, but Popillius warmly interceded for his brother, both with his colleague and the senate; and, by giving notice, that if any vote should be passed on the subject he would enter his protest, he deterred his colleague from proceeding. The fenate, being

B O O K being hereby equally incenfed against both the confuls, perfifted the more obstinately in their intention, Y.R. 580. and, when they took into confideration the distribu-B. C. 172. tion of the provinces, although the confuls wished for Macedonia, because a war with Perseus was daily expected, they affigned Liguria as the province of both, declaring that they would not vote Macedonia their province, unless the question were put on the affair of Marcus Popillius. The confuls, afterwards, demanded that they might be authorised to raise either new armies, or recruits to fill up the old; both were refused. The prætors for Spain, also, applied for reinforcement: Marcus Junius for hither Spain, and Spurius Lucretius for the farther, and were in like manner refused. Caius Licinius Crassus obtained, by lot, the city jurisdiction; Cneius Sicinius, the foreign; Caius Memmius, Sicily; and Spurius Cluvius, Sardinia. The confuls, enraged against the senate, appointed the earliest day that they could for the Latine festival, and declared openly, that they would go away to their province, and would not transact any kind of business, except what belonged to their own government,

> XI. VALERIUS ANTIAS Writes, that, in this confulate, Attalus, brother to king Eumenes, came to Rome as ambassador, with heavy charges against Perseus, and an account of his preparations for war. But the greater number of historians, and those deemed most worthy of credit, affert, that Eumenes came in person. Eumenes then, on his arrival at Rome, was received with every degree of respect which the Roman people judged fuitable, not merely to his deferts, but also to their own former favours, bestowed on him in great abundance, Being introduced to the senate, he said, that " the reason which had induced him to come to Rome, besides his " wish to visit those gods and men who had placed If him in a lituation beyond which he could not pre-" fume

fume to form a wish, was, that he might in person BOOK " forewarn the senate to counteract the designs of XLII. " Porfeus." Then, beginning with the schemes of Y.R. 580. Philip, he mentioned his murdering his on Deme- B. C. 172. trius, because he was averse to a war with Rome, and his calling the Bastarnian nation from their own residence, that he might have their support in crossing "While his thoughts were busied over into Italy. in plans of this fort, he was surprised by the ap-" proach of death, and left his kingdom to the person " whom he knew to be, of all men, the bitterest foe " to the Romans. Perseus, therefore," said he, " having received this scheme of a war, as a legacy " bequeathed by his father, and descending to him along with the crown, advances and improves it, as his primary object, by every means that he can devile. Besides, he is powerful, in respect of " the number of his young men, a long peace hav-* ing produced a plentiful progeny; he is powerful " in respect of the resources of his kingdom; and " powerful, likewise, in respect of his age. And as, " at his time of life, he possesses full powers and vi-" gour of body, so his mind has been thoroughly " trained, both in the theory and practice of war. "For, even from his childhood, he accompanied this father in his campaigns, and thereby became " inured to war, not only against neighbouring " states, but also against the Romans, and was em-" ployed by his father in many and various expedise tions. Then, fince the government came into ce his own hands, he has, by a wonderful train of er prosperous events, accomplished many things " which Philip, after trying his best efforts, could " never effect, either by force or artifice.

XII. "Brsines his strength, he has such a degree of influence, as is usually acquired, in a great length of time, by many and important kindnesses. For, in the several states throughout Gresse and Asia, vot. vt. BOOK " all men revere the dignity of his character; nor do I perceive for what deferts, for what generofity, fuch uncommon respect is paid him; neither Y. R. 580. B. C. 172. " can I, with certainty, fay, whether it is the effect of some good fortune attending him, or whether, what I mention with reluctance, a general dislike to the Romans attaches men to his interest. Even among fovereign princes, his influence is exceed-" ingly extensive. He married the daughter of " Seleucus, a match which he did not solicit, but " to which he was folicited by her friends; and he " gave his lister in marriage to Prusias, in compliance with his earnest prayers and entreaties. Both " these marriages were solemnised amidst congratu-" lations and presents from innumerable embassies, " and the royal couples, escorted by the most re-" nowned nations, acting as bridal attendants. The " Bœotian nation could never be brought, by all the " intrigues of Philip, to fign a treaty of friendship "with him; but now, a treaty with Perseus is en-" graved at three different places, at Thebes, in " Delos, in the most venerable and celebrated tem-" ple, and at Delphi. Then, in the diet of Achaia, " only that the proceeding was stopped by a few e persons, threatening them with the displeasure of " the Roman government, the business was nearly effected, of allowing him admission into Achaia. But, as to the honours, formerly paid to me, whose " kindnesses to that nation have been such, that it is " hard to fay, whether my public or private bene-" factions were the greater, they have been partly " abolished through disuse and neglect, and partly "cancelled by hostile means. Who does not know " that the Ætolians, lately, on occasion of their in-" testine broils, sought protection, not from the Romans, but from Perfeus? For, while he is upheld " by these alliances and friendships, he has such prese parations of every requilite for war made at home, " that he wants nothing from abroad. He has thirty

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" thousand foot, and five thousand horse, and is lay- BOOK " ing up a store of corn for ten years, so that he can " avoid injuring either his own, or any enemy's Y.R. 580. " country, in respect of provisions. He has amassed B.C. 172. " money to fuch an amount, that he has now in " readiness the pay of ten thousand mercenary sol-" diers, belides the Macedonian roops, for the same " number of years, as well as the annual revenue " accruing from the royal mines. In his armouries " he has stored up arms for three times that number " of men; and he has Thrace under subjection, from " which, as a never-failing spring, he can draw sup-" plies of young men."

XIII. THE rest of his discourse contained exhortations to timely exertions: "Conscript Fa-"thers," faid he, "the representations which I " have made to you are not founded on uncertain " rumours, and too readily believed by me, because " I wished such charges against my enemy to be " true; but on a clear discovery and knowledge of " the facts, as if I had been fent by you to make " discoveries, and had seen them with my eyes. Nor " would I have left my own kingdom, which you " have rendered ample, and highly respectable, and " crossed such a tract of sea, to injure my own credit " by offering you unauthenticated reports. I saw " the most remarkable states of Asia and Greece," " every day, gradually unfolding their fentiments, " and ready to proceed, shortly, to such lengths as " would not leave them room for repentance. " faw Perseus, not confining himself within the limits " of his kingdom of Macedonia, but seizing some " places by force of arms, and feducing, by favour " and kindness, those which he could not subdue by " force. I perceived how unfair a footing matters " flood on, while his intentions towards you were " evidently hostile, and yours toward him perfectly " pacific. Although, to my judgment, he did not " war. Abrupolis, your ally and friend, he de-

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Y.R. 580. " throned. Artetarus the Illyrian, a nother ally and

B. C. 172. " friend of yours, he put to death, on learning that " he had written some information to you. " Thebans, Eversa and Callicratus, two of the chief " men in the state, he procured to be taken off, be-" cause, in the council of the Boeotians, they had " spoken with more than ordinary freedom against " him, and declared, that they would inform the " Romans of the proceedings going on. He car-" ried fuccour to the Byzantians, contrary to the " treaty. He made war on Dolopia. He over-ran "Thessaly and Doris, with an army, in order to " take advantage of the civil war then raging, and " by the help of the party, which had the worse cause, to crush the other, which had more right " on its fide. He raifed universal confusion and " disorder in Thessaly and Perrhæbia, by holding " out a prospect of an abolition of debts, that, by " means of the multitude of debtors thereby attached se to his interest, he might overpower the nobles. " As you remained inactive and patient during all " these transactions of his, and as he sees Greece " yielded up to him by you, he firmly believes that " he will not meet with one opponent in arms, until " he arrives in Italy. How fafe or how honourable " this might be for you, you yourselves will con-" fider; for my part, I thought it would certainly " reflect dishonour on me, if Perseus should come " into Italy to make war, before I, your ally, " came to warn you to be on your guard. Hav-" ing discharged this duty, necessarily incumbent " on me, and, in some measure, freed and ex-"onerated my faith, what can I do farther, except, " beseeching the gods and goddesses that you may " adopt such measures as will prove salutary to your-" felves, to your commonwealth, and to us, your " allies and friends, who depend upon you." XIV.

XIV. His discourse made a deep impression on BOOK the senate. However, for the present, no one, without doors, could know any thing more than that the Y.R. 580. king had been in the senate-house, such secrecy was B. C. 172. observed by all the members; and it was not until after the conclusion of the war, that the purport of king Eumenes's speech, and the senate's answer, transpired. In a few days after, the senate gave audience to the ambaffadors of king Perseus. their minds, as well as their ears, had been so prepossessed by king Eumenes, that every plea offered in his justification by the ambassadors, and every argument to alleviate the charges against him, was difregarded; and they were still farther exasperated. by the immoderate presumption of Harpalus, chief of the embally, who faid, that "the king was indeed " defirous, and even anxious, that they should give " credit to his affeveration, respecting his conduct, " that he had neither said nor done any thing hosetile; but that, if he saw them obstinately bent on "finding out a pretence for war, he would defend " himself with courage and resolution. The fortune of war was open to all, and the iffue uncertain." All the states of Greece and Asia were full of curiosity to learn what the ambassadors of Perseus, and what Eumenes, had done in the senate; and most of them, on hearing of the latter's journey to Rome, which they supposed might produce material consequences, had fent ambassadors thither, under pretexts of other business. Among the rest came an embassy from Rhodes, at the head of which was a person named Satyrus, who supposed, without a doubt, that Eumenes had included his state in the accusations brought against Perseus. He therefore endeavoured, by every means, through his patrons and friends, to get an opportunity of debating the matter with Eumenes in presence of the senate. When he obtained this, he inveighed against that king with intemperate vehemence, as having infti-F 3

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gated the people of Lycia against the Rhodians, and as being more oppressive to Asia than Antiochus had Y.R. 580. been, and this rendered his discourse slattering indeed, and acceptable to the states of Asia, for the popularity of Perseus had spread even to them, but very displeasing to the senate, and disadvantageous to himself and his nation. On the other hand, this apparent conspiracy against Eumenes increased the favour of the Romans towards him, so that every kind of honour was paid him, and the most magnificent presents were given him; among which were a curule

chair and an ivory sceptre.

XV. AFTER the embassies were dismissed, Harpalus hastened home to Macedonia, with the utmost expedition, and told the king, that he had left the Romans, not indeed making immediate preparations for war, but in such an angry temper, that it was very evident they would not defer it long; and the king himself, who all along believed that this would be the case, now even wished for it, as he thought himself at the highest pitch of power that he could ever expect to attain. Being more violently incenfed against Eumenes than against any other, he resolved to commence the war by shedding his blood; and he suborned Evander, a Cretan, commander of the auxiliaries, and three Macedonians, who were accustomed to the perpetration of fuch deeds, to murder that king, giving them a letter to a woman called Praxo, an acquaintance of his, the wealthiest and most powerful person at Delphi. It was generally known that Eumenes intended going up to Delphi, to facrifice to Thither the affassins, with Evander, went before, and examined the country about, fearthing merely for a convenient place for the execution of their design. On the road from Cirra to the temple, before they came to the places thickly inhabited, there was a wall on the left fide, at the foot of which was a narrow path, where fingle persons could pass;

on the right, the ground had funk, and formed a BOOK precipice of considerable depth. Behind this wall they concealed themseves, and raised up steps to it, Y.R. 580. that from thence, as from the wall of a fortress, they B. C. 172. might discharge their weapons on the king, as he passed by. At first, as he came up from the sea, he was furrounded on the road by a multitude of his friends and attendants, afterwards, the road, growing gradually narrower, consequently made the train thinner about him. When they arrived at the spot where each was to pass singly, the first who advanced on the path was Pantaleon, an Ætolian of distinction, who was at the time in conversation with the The affaffins now, starting up, rolled down two huge stones, one of which struck the king on the head, and the other on the shoulder, with such force as to deprive him of sensation, and, as he turnbled from the sloping path down the precipice, they poured a multitude of stones upon him. The rest of his friends and attendants, on seeing him fall, fled different ways, but Pantaleon, with great intrepidity and resolution, kept his ground, in order to protect the king.

XVI. THE affaffins, although they might, by making a short circuit round the wall, have run down and finished the wounded prince, yet, as if they had completed their business, they sled off towards the top of Parnassus, and that with such precipitation, that one of them, being unable to keep up with the rest, through the pathless and steep grounds, and thus retarding their slight, they killed him less the should be taken, and a discovery ensue. First, his friends, then, his guards and servants ran together about the king's body, and raised him up, while he was in a swoon, and quite insensible. However, they perceived, from the warmth of his body and the breath remaining in his lungs, that he was still alive, but had little or no hopes that he would ever recover.

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BOOK Some of his guards pursued the tracts of the assassins, with much fatigue, as far as the top of Parnaffus, but Y.R. 580. returned without being able to overtake them. B. C. 172. the Macedonians fet about the deed injudiciously, so, after making the attempt with boldness, they abandoned it, in a manner both foolish and cowardly. Next day his friends conveyed the king, who had by this time come to himself, on board his ship, and failed thence to Corinth; then, having drawn the ships across the neck of the isthmus, they croffed over to Ægina. Here his cure was conducted with fuch fecrefy, no one being admitted to fee him, that a report of his death was carried into Asia, and was believed, even by Attalus, with more readiness than became an affectionate brother: for he talked, both to his brother's wife, and to the governor of the citadel, as if he had actually succeeded to the crown, This, afterwards, came to the knowledge of Eumenes, who, though he had determined to diffemble, and to pass it over in silence, yet could not refrain, at their first meeting, from rallying his brother on The report of his premature haste to get a wife. Eumenes's death spread even to Rome.

XVII. ABOUT the same time, Caius Valerius, who had been sent ambassador into Greece, to examine the state of that country, and to observe the movements of king Perseus, returned home, and his reports accorded, in every circumstance, with the representations made by Eumenes. He brought with him, from Delphi, Praxo, the woman whose house had served as a receptacle for the assassing and Lucius Rammius, a Brundusian, who gave information to this effect: that Rammius was a person of the first distinction at Brundusium, accustomed to entertain in his house the Roman commanders, and such ambassadors as came that way from foreign powers, especially those of the kings. By these means he became known to Perseus, although his dominions

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were so diffant; and, in consequence of a letter from BOOK. him, which gave him hopes of a more intimate friendship, and great advantages to accrue from Y.R. 480. thence, he went on a visit to the king, and, in a B. C. 174. short time, found himself treated with particular familiarity, and drawn, oftener than he wished, into private conversations. For the king, after promises of the highest rewards, pressed him, with the most earnest solicitations, " as all the commanders and " ambassadors of the Romans used to lodge at his "house, to procure poison to be given to such of "them as he should direct by letter;" and told him, that, "as he knew the preparation of poison to be attended with the greatest difficulty and dan-56 ger and that it could not be effected without the or privity of several; and, besides, that the dose was " not always certain in its operation, either as to its ower to produce the effect, or its fafety with re-" spect to concealment, he would give him some which would not, either when administered, or " afterwards, afford any fign that could lead to detection." Rammius dreading, left, in case of refusal, he should himself be the first on whom the poison would be tried, promised compliance, and departed; but not thinking it prudent to return to Brundusium, without first applying to Caius Valerius, the ambassader, who was said to be at that time in the neighbourhood of Chalcis, he first disclosed the affair to him; and then, by his order, accompanied him to Rome, where, being brought before the fenate, he gave them an account of what had passed.

XVIII. THESE discoveries, added to the representations made before by Eumenes, hastened a declaration of war against Perseus; the senate perceiving that he did not content himself with preparing, with the spirit of a king, for a fair open war, but pushed his designs by all the base clandestine means of affassination and poison. It was resolved, that the

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BOOK new confuls should have the conduct of the war; but, in the mean time, an order was given, that Cneius Sicinius, the prætor, whose province was the B. C. 172. jurisdiction between natives and foreigners, should raise a body of troops, to be led with all expedition to brundusium, and thence carried over into Apollonia in Epirus, in order to secure the cities on the sea-coasts, that the consul, who should have Macedonia as his province, might put in his fleet with safety, and land his troops with convenience. Eumenes was detained a long time at Ægina, his wounds proving dangerous, and the cure difficult; but, as foon as he could with safety, he went home to Pergamus, and fet on foot the most vigorous preparations for war, to which he was now stimulated by the late atrocious villany of Perseus, in addition to the ancient enmity which subsisted between them. Ambassadors soon came from Rome, with congratulations on his escape from so great a danger. the war with Macedonia was deferred to the next eyear, when the other prætors had gone away to their provinces, Marcus Junius and Spurius Lucretius, to whom the Spanish provinces had fallen, by teizing the senate with frequent repetitions of the same request, obtained, at last, a grant of recruits for their army. They were commanded to raise three thoufand foot and one hundred and fifty horse for the Roman legions; and to levy, from the allies, for the confederate troops, five thousand foot and three hundred horse: this number of forces the new prætors carried with them into Spain.

> XIX. In consequence of the inquiries, made by the conful Postumius, a large portion of the lands of Campania, which had been usurped by private perfons, indifcriminately, in various parts, had been recovered to the public. Wherefore, in this year, Marcus Lucretius, plebeian tribune, published a proposal for an order of the people, that the censors fhould

should let those lands to farm: a measure which had BOOK. been omitted during so many years, fince the taking of Capua, that the greediness of individuals might Y.R.sto. have clear room to work in. After war, though not B, G. 5781 yet proclaimed, had been resolved on, and while the senate was anxious to know which of the several kings would espouse their cause, and which that of Perseus, ambassadors came to Rome from Ariarathes, bringing with them his young fon. The purport of their message was, that " the king had sent 4 his fon to be educated at Rome, in order that he er might, even from childhood, be acquainted with " the manners and the persons of the Romans; and " he requested, that they would allow him to enjoy, " not only the protection of his particular friends, "but likewise the care, and in some measure the " guardianship, of the public." This embassy from the king was highly pleasing to the senate; and they ordered, that Cneius Sicinius, the prætor, should hire a furnished house for the accommodation of the young prince and his attendants. Ambassadors from some of the states of Thrace attended the senate, for their decision of a dispute, and requested a treaty of alliance and friendship; and they not only obtained their request, but received, each of them, a present to the amount of two thousand ases *; for the Romans were rejoiced at gaining the friendship of those states, in particular, as they lay at the back of Macedonia. But, in order to acquire a clear knowledge of every thing in Asia, and in the islands, they fent ambassadors, Tiberius Claudius Nero and Marcus Decimius. with orders to go to Crete, and Rhodes, to renew the treaties of friendship, and, at the same time, to observe whether any attempts were made by Perseus to seduce the affections of the allies.

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XX. WHILE the minds of the public were in a , state of extreme anxiety and suspense, with respect to Y.R. 580. the new war impending, a storm happened in the 5. 6. 172. night, during which the pillar in the Capitol, ornamented with beaks of ships, which had been erected in the first Punic war by the consul Marcus Æmilius, whose colleague was Servius Fulvius, was entirely shattered to pieces, down to the very foundation, by lightning. This event was deemed a prodigy, and reported to the fenate, who ordered, that it should be laid before the aruspices, and that the decemvirs should consult the books. The decemvirs, in anfwer, directed, that the city should be purified; that a supplication, and prayers, for the averting of misfortunes, should be offered, and victims of the larger kinds facrificed, both in the Capitol at Rome, and at the promontory of Minerva in Campania; and that games should be celebrated, as soon as possible, in bonour of Jupiter supremely good and great, during ten days. All these directions were carefully executed, and the aruspices answered, that the prodigy would prove happy in the iffue, that it portended extension of territory and destruction of enemies; for those beaks of ships, which the storm had scattered, were spoils taken from enemies. There were other occurrences which helped to fill people's minds with religious apprehensions: it was said, that, at the town of Saturnia showers of blood fell during three fuccessive days; that an ass, with three feet, was foaled at Calatia; that a bull, with five cows, were killed by one stroke of lightning; and that a shower of earth had fallen at Oximum. On account of these prodigies, also, public worship was performed, and a supplication and festival observed for one day.

> XXI. Even so late as this time the consuls had not gone to their provinces; for they would not comply with the senate, in proposing the business of Marcus Popillius, and, on the other hand, the senate

was determined to proceed on no other business until BOOK that was done. The general refentment against Popillius was aggravated by a letter received from him, Y.R 5800 in which he mentioned that he had, as proconful, B. C. 174 fought a second battle with the Ligurians of Statiella, and killed ten thousand of them, and that the rest of the Ligurian states, provoked at the injustice of this attack, had all taken arms. On this, the most severe animadversions were uttered in the senate, not only against the absent Popillius, for having, contrary to all laws human and divine, made war on people who had submitted to terms, and stirred up to rebellion flates that were disposed to live in peace, but also against the consuls, for not having gone abroad to that province. Encouraged by the unanimous opinion of the senators, two plebeian tribunes, Marcus Marcius Sermo and Quintus Marcius Scylla, declared publicly, that they would institute a suit for a fine to be laid on the confuls if they did not repair to their province; and they likewise read before the senate a proposal for an order of the people respecting the furrendered Ligurians, which they intended to pubhih. The purport of it was, that " it should be de-" creed, that, in case any of the surrendered Statiel-" lans should not be restored to liberty, before the " calends of August then next ensuing, the senate, " on oath, should appoint a magistrate to inquire " into the business, and to punish the person through " whose wicked practices he had been brought into " flavery;" and accordingly, by direction of the fenate, they published this proposal. Before the departure of the confuls, the senate gave audience, in the temple of Bellona, to Caius Cicereius, przetor of the former year. After recounting his fervices performed in Corsica, he demanded a triumph; but this being refused, he rode in triumph on the Alban mount; a mode of doing it without public authority, which had now become usual. The people, with universal approbation, passed and ratified the order

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200 k order proposed by Marcius, respecting the Ligurians; and, in pursuance thereof, Caius Licinius, practot R.R. 1500 desired the senate to appoint a person to conduct the section inquiry, according to the order; whereupon the senate ordered that he himself should conduct it.

XXII. THEN, at last, the consuls went to their province, and received the command of the army from Marcus Popillius. But the latter did not dare to go home to Rome; for he dreaded the being brought to trial, while the fenate were so highly displeased at him, the people still more exasperated against him, and before a prætor who had taken the opinion of the senate, on an inquiry pointed against him. Against this defign of his, to evade a trial, the plebeian tribunes employed a menace of passing another order, that if he did not come into the city of Rome before the ides of November, Caius Licinius should judge and determine respecting him, though absent. This drew him home, in spite of his reluctance; and, when he appeared in the fenate, he was received with the strongest marks of displeasure and resentment. His conduct was arraigned by many of the members, in the bitterest terms; and the senate passed a decree that the prætors, Caius Licinius and Cneius Sicinius, should take care that all such of the Ligurians, as had not been in open arms, fitce the consulate of Quintus Fulvius and Lucius Manlius, should be restored to liberty; and that the conful Caius Popillius should affign them lands on the further fide of the Po. By this decree, many thousands were restored to liberty, led beyond the Po, and received portions of land. The trial of Marcus Popillius, on the Marcian law, was twice brought to a hearing before Caius Licinius, but, at a third hearing, the prætor, overcome by. his regard for the absent consul, and the prayers of the Popillian family, ordered the defendant to appear on the ides of March, on which day the new magiftrates were to enter into office, so that, being then ia

in a private capacity, he could not preside at the BOOK trial. Thus was the order of the people, respecting the Ligurians, eluded by an evalive artifice.

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XXIII. THERE were, at this time, in Rome, ambaffadors from Carthage, and Guluffa fon of Masinissa. between whom very warm disputes passed, in presence of the senate. The Carthaginians complained, that " besides the district, about which ambassadors " were formerly fent from Rome, to determine the matter on the spot, Masinissa had, within the last " two years, by force of arms, possessed himself of " more than seventy towns and forts in the Carthagi-" nian territories. This was easy for him, who suf-" fered no confideration to restrain him. " Carthaginians, being tied down by treaty, were " filent; for they were prohibited from carrying "their arms beyond their own frontiers: and al-" though they knew that, if they forced the Numi-" dians thence, the war would be waged within their own territory, yet they were deterred, by another " clause in the treaty, too clear to be mistaken, in which " they were expressly forbidden to wage war against the allies of the Roman people. But things were come to fuch a pass, that the Carthaginians could not " longer endure his pride, his cruelty, and his ava-" rice. They were fent," they faid, " to befeech " the senate to grant them one of these three things; either that they, as a common ally, should, on an " equitable discussion, determine what was the pro-" perty of each; or give permission to the Cartha-"ginians to defend themselves, in fair and just war, " against unjust attacks; or, finally, if favour swayed " more with them than the truth, to fix at once how " much of the property of others they wished should " be bestowed on Masinissa. Their grants would, " at all events, be more moderate than his usurp-" ations; and the extent of them would be afcerse tained: whereas, he would fet no limits but the " arbitrary

BOOK " arbitrary dictates of his own ambition. If they , " could obtain none of these, and if they had, since Y.R. 580. " the peace granted by Publius Scipio, been guilty L.C. 172. " of any transgression, they begged that the Romans themselves would rather inslict the punishment. "They preferred a secure bondage, under Roman " masters, to a state of freedom, exposed to the in-" justice of Masinissa. It was better for them to " perish at once, than to continue to breathe, under "the arbitrary will of an inhuman executioner." Having spoken thus, they burst into tears, prostrated themselves on the ground, and, in this posture, excited both compassion for themselves, and no less difpleasure against the king.

> XXIV. It was then voted, that Gulussa should be asked, what answer he had to make to these charges; or that, if it were more agreeable to him, he should first tell, on what business he had come to Rome. Gulussa said, that "it was hard for him to speak on " fubjects, concerning which he had no instructions " from his father; and that it would have been hard " for his father to have given him instructions, when "the Carthaginians neither disclosed the business, et which they intended to bring forward, nor even "their design of going to Rome. That they had, for es feveral nights, held private consultations, in the " temple of Æsculapius, from whence ambassadors " were dispatched with secret instructions to Rome. This was his father's reason for sending him to Rome, that he might entreat the senate not to give er credit to imputations, laid by their common foe, es against him, whom they hated for no other cause " than his inviolable fidelity to the Roman people." After hearing both parties, the senate, on the question being put, respecting the demands of the Carthaginians, ordered this answer to be given, that " it was their will, that Gulussa should, without delay, re-" turn to Numidia, and defire his father to fend am-" baffadors

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bassadors immediately to the senate, to answer the BOOK " complaints of the Carthaginians, and to give no-" tice to the Carthaginians to come, and support " their allegations. All the honour in their power B. C. 172. "they had hitherto paid to Masinissa, and would " continue to pay him; but they did not give him " a privilege of screening misconduct under their favour. Their wish was, that the lands should, " every where, be possessed by the real owners; nor did they intend that new boundaries should be esta-" blished, but that the old ones should be observed. "When they vanquished the Carthaginians, they ". left them in possession of cities and lands, not with "the purpose of stripping them by acts of injustice, " in time of peace, of what they had not taken from "them, by the right of war." With this answer the Carthaginians, and the prince, were dismissed. The customary presents were sent to both parties, and the other lattentions, which hospitality required, were performed with all courtefy.

XXV. ABOUT this time Cneius Servilius Cæpio, Appius Claudius Centho, and Titus Annius Luscus, who had been sent ambassadors to Macedonia, to demand restitution and renounce the king's friendship, returned, and inflamed, to a greater height, the resentment already entertained by the senate against Perseus, by relating, in order, all that they had seen and heard. They faid, that "through all the cities " of Macedonia they saw preparations for war, car-" ried on with the utmost diligence. When they " arrived at the residence of the king, they were " refused admission to him, for many days; at the " end of which, despairing of meeting with him, "they left the place, and were then, at last, called " back from their journey and introduced to him. "The topics on which they infifted in their dif-" course were, the treaty concluded with Philip, and, after his father's death, renewed with himself; in which YOL, YI.

BOOK " which he was expressly prohibited from carrying XLII. " his arms beyond his own dominions, and, like-Y.R. 580. " wife, from making war on the allies of the Ro-B. C. 172. " man people. They then laid before him, in or-" der, the true and well-authenticated accounts, " which they themselves had lately heard from " Eumenes, in the fenate. They took notice, be-" fides, of his having held a fecret confultation, in "Samothracia, with ambassadors from the states of " Asia; and told him, that, for these injuries, the " fenate expected fatisfaction to be given, as well " as restitution, to them, and their allies, of their " property, which he held, contrary to the tenor of se the treaty. On this, the king, in a heat of passion, " at first, spoke with great vehemence, frequently " upbraiding the Romans with pride and avarice, " and with fending ambassadors, one after another, " to pry into his words and actions; expecting that, " in every case, he should speak, and act, in com-" pliance with their dictates, and obedient to "their nod. Then, after speaking a long time " with great loudness and violence, he ordered " them to return the next day, for he intended " to give his answer in writing. Accordingly, he "then delivered them a writing, of which the " purport was, that the treaty, concluded with his " father, in no respect concerned him: that he " had suffered it to be renewed, not because he " approved of it, but because, being so lately come " to the throne, he was obliged to a compliant " acquiescence in every thing. If they chose to " form a new treaty with him, the terms ought, " first, to be agreed on; if they were satisfied to treat on an equal footing, he would confider " what was to be done, on his part, and he doubted not but they would be careful enough of the interest " of their own state. After this, he hastily turned " away, and they were defired to quit the palace. "They then declared, that they renounced his " friendship

" friendship and alliance, at which, he was highly B O O K
" exasperated; that he halted, and, with a loud
" voice, charged them to quit his dominions within Y.R. 580.
" three days. They departed accordingly; and, B. C. 172.
" neither on their coming, nor while they staid, was
" any kind of attention or hospitality shewn them."
The Thessalian and Ætolian ambassadors were then admitted to audience. The senate wishing to know, as soon as possible, what commanders were to be employed in the service of the state, voted, that a letter should be sent to the consuls, directing, that whichever of them could, might come to Rome to elect magistrates.

XXVI. THE confuls, during that year, performed no exploits that deserved much notice. As the Ligurians had been highly exasperated, it was thought the most eligible plan, to pacify and appeale them. While the public were looking forward to a Macedonian war, ambassadors from Issa gave them reason to suspect the inclinations of Gentius, king of Illyria; for they complained that "he had, a fecond " time, ravaged their country;" and, at the fame time, they affirmed, that "the kings of Macedonia and Illyria lived on terms of the closest intimacy; " that both were preparing, in concert, for war against "the Romans, and that there were then in Rome " Illyrian spies, under the appearance of ambassa-" dors, fent thither, by the advice of Perseus, to watch their proceedings." The Illyrians, being called before the senate, said, that they were sent ambassadors by their king, to justify his conduct, if the Issans should make any complaint against him. They were then asked, why they had not applied to some magistrate, that they might, according to the regular practice, be furnished with lodging and entertainment, that their arrival might be known, and the bufiness on which they came; but, not giving a fatisfactory answer, they were ordered to retire out

BOOK of the senate-house. It was not thought proper to give them any answer, as ambassadors, because they Y.R. 580. had not applied for an audience of the senate; but a B. C. 172. resolution passed, that "ambassadors should be sent " to the king, to acquaint him with the complaints " made by the allies to the senate, of his having " ravaged their country; and to represent the im-" propriety of his conduct, in ill-treating their allies." On this embassy were sent, Aulus Terentius Varro, Caius Plætorius, and Caius Cicereius. The ambasfadors, who had been fent to the seyeral kings in alliance with the state, came home from Asia, and reported, that " they had conferred there with Eumenes, in Syria, with Antiochus, and at Alexan-" dria with Ptolemy; all of whom, though strongly " folicited by embassies from Perseus, remained per-" feetly faithful to their engagements, and gave af-" furances of their readiness to execute every order " of the Roman people. That they had also visited " the allied states; that all the rest were firm in their attachment, except the Rhodians, who seemed to " be wavering, and infected by the counsels of Per-" seus." Ambassadors had come from the Rhodians, to exculpate them from the imputations, which, they knew, were openly urged against them; but a resolution was made, that " they should have audience " of the fenate, when the new magistrates came into " office."

XXVII. It was judged necessary not to deser the making preparations for the war. A commission was accordingly given to Caius Licinius, prætor, to resit as many as could be made serviceable of the old quinqueremes which lay in the docks at Rome, to make up a sleet of sifty ships, and, if he were at a loss for any to complete that number, to write to his colleague, Caius Memmius, in Sicily, to repair and fit out such ships as were in that province, so as that they might be sent, with all expedition, to Brundu-sign

Caius Licinius, prætor, was ordered to enlist BOOK Roman citizens of the rank of freedmen's fons, to man twenty-five ships; Caius Sicinius to levy, from Y.R. 580. the allies, an equal number for the other twenty-five, B. C. 1720 and likewise to require from the Latine confederates, eight thousand foot and four hundred horse. Aulus Atilius Serranus, who had been prætor the year before, was commissioned to receive these troops at Brundusium, and transport them to Macedonia; and Cneius Sicinius, the prætor, to keep them in readiness for embarkation. By direction of the senate, Caius Licinius, the prætor, wrote to the consul Caius Popillius, to order the second legion, which was the oldest then in Liguria, together with four thousand foot and two hundred horse, of the Latine nation, to be in Brundusium, on the ides of February. With this fleet, and this army, Cneius Sicinius, being continued a year in command for the purpose, was ordered to take care of the province of Macedonia, until a new governor should arrive. thefe measures, voted by the senate, were vigoroufly executed; thirty-eight quinqueremes were drawn out of the docks, and put under the command of Lucius Porcius Licinus, to be conducted to Brundusium, and twelve were sent from Sicily; three commissaries were sent into Apulia and Calabria, to buy up corn for the fleet and army, Sextus Digitius, Titus Juventius, and Marcus Cæcilius. When all things were in readiness, the prætor Cneius Sicinius, in his military robes, fet out from the city, and went to Brundusium.

XXVIII. THE conful, Caius Popillius, came home to Rome, when the year had almost expired, much later than had been directed by the vote of the senate; for he had been ordered, in consideration of fuch an important war impending, to elect magiftrates as foon as possible. For this reason the conful's recital, in the temple of Bellona, of his fervices performed G 3 .

BOOK performed in Liguria, was not favourably listened to by the senate. He was frequently interrupted, Y.R. 580. and asked, why he had not restored to liberty the

B.C. 174. Ligurians, who had been oppressed by the wickedness of his brother? The election of consuls was held on the day appointed by proclamation, the twelfth before the calends of March. The consuls chosen were, Publius Licinius Crassus, and Caius Caffius Longinus. Next day were elected prætors, Cajus Sulpicius Galba, Lucius Furius Philus, Lucius Canuleius Dives, Caius Lucretius Gallus, Caius Caninius Rebilus, and Lucius Villius Annalis. vinces decreed to these prætors were, the two civil jurisdictions in Rome, Spain, Sicily, and Sardinia; and one of them was kept disengaged, that he might be employed wherever the senate should direct. The confuls elect received orders from the senate, to offer a facrifice, with victims of the larger kinds, on the day of their entering into office; and to pray to the gods, that the war, which the Roman people intended to commence, might prove fortunate in the issue. On the same day, the senate passed an order, that the conful Caius Popillius should vow games, of ten days' continuance, to Jupiter supremely good and great, and offerings, to be made in all the temples, if the commonwealth should remain for ten years in its present state. Pursuant to this vote, the consul made a vow in the Capitol, that the games should be celebrated, and the offerings made, at fuch expence as the senate should direct, and the vow was expressed in terms dictated by Lepidus the chief pontiff, in the presence of not less than one hundred and fifty perfons. There died this year, of the public priefts, Lucius Æmilius Papus, decemvir of religious rites, and Quintus Fulvius Flaccus, a pontiff, who had been censor the year before. The latter ended his life in a shocking manner: he had received an account, that, of his two fons, who were in the army in Illyria, one was dead, and the other labouring under

under a heavy and dangerous malady: his grief and BOOK. fears, together, overwhelmed his reason, and his servants, on going into his chamber in the morning, Y.R. 580. found him hanging by a rope. It was generally be- B.C. 171. lieved, that, fince his cenforship, his understanding had not been found; and it was now faid, that the refentment of Juno Lacinia, for the spoil committed on her temple, had caused the derangement of his in-Marcus Valerius Messala was substituted decemvir, in the place of Æmilius; and Cneius Domitius Ænobarbus, though a mere youth, was chosen into the priesthood as pontiff, in the room of Fulvius.

XXIX. In this confulate of Publius Licinius and Y.R. 582. Caius Cassius, not only the city of Rome, and the B. C. 171. whole of Italy, but all the kings and states, both in Europe and in Asia, had their attention fixed on the approaching war between Rome and Macedonia. Eumenes was instigated against Perseus, not only by an old hatred, but also by recent anger, for having been, through his nefarious contrivance, almost flaughtered, like a victim, at Delphi. Prusias, king of Bithynia, resolved to keep clear of hostilities, and to wait the event; for as he did not think it proper to carryarms on the fide of the Romans, against his wife's brother, so he trusted, that, in case of Perseus proving victorious, his favour might be secured through the means of his fifter. Ariarathes, king of Cappadocia, besides having, in his own name, promised aid to the Romans, had, ever fince his connexion of affinity with Eumenes, united with him, in all his plans when ther of war and peace. Antiochus, indeed, entertained designs on the kingdom of Egypt, and defpiling the unripe age of the king, and the inactive disposition of his guardians, thought he might, by raising a dispute about Coelesyria, find sufficient presext for proceeding to extremities, and carry on a war there, without any impediment, while the Ro-

BOOK man arms were employed against Macedonia: yet. by his ambassadors to the senate, and to their ambas-Y.R. 181. sadors fent to him, he made the fairest promises. B. C. 171. Ptolemy, too young to determine for himself, was directed by others; and his guardians, at the fame time, while they were preparing for war with Antiochus, to secure possession of Cœlesyria, promised the Romans every support in the war against Macedo-Malinissa not only furnished supplies of corn to the Romans, but prepared to fend into the field, to their assistance, a body of troops, and a number of elephants, with his fon Misagenes. He so arranged his plans as to answer every event that might take place; for, if success should attend the Romans, he judged that his own affairs would rest in their prefent state, and that he ought to seek for nothing farther; as the Romans would not suffer violence to be offered to the Carthaginians; and, if the power of the Romans, which, at that time, protected the Carthaginians, should be reduced, then all Africa would be his own. Gentius, king of Illyria, had indeed given cause of suspicion to the Romans; but he had not yet determined which party to espouse, and it was believed, that he would join either one or the other; through some sudden impulse of passion; rather than from any rational motive. Cotys, the Thracian king of the Odrysians, declared, openly, in favour of the Macedonians.

> XXX. Such were the inclinations of the several kings, while, in the free nations and states, the plebeians, favouring as usual the weaker cause, were almost universally inclined to the Macedonians and their king; but among the nobles might be observed different views, One party were so warmly devoted to the Romans, that, by the excess of their zeal, they diminished their own influence. Of these, a few were actuated by their admiration of the justice of the Roman government; but by far the greater number.

number, by the hope that their distinguished exer- BOOK tions would procure them a large share of power in their several states. A second party wished to court Y.R. 581. the king's favour, by every compliance, some of them B. C. 1715 being driven headlong into every scheme of innovation by their debts, and despair of retrieving their circumstances, while the public affairs remained in their present state; and others, through a fickleness of temper, following Perseus as the more popular character. A third party, the wifest and the best, wished, in case of an option being allowed in the choice of a master, to live under the Romans, rather than under the king; but, if they had the free dispofal of events, it was their wish that neither party should acquire an increase of power, from the ruin of the other, but rather that both, with their strength unimpaired, should continue in peace on an equal footing; for thus, between both, the condition of their states would be the happiest, as they would always be protected by one, from any ill treatment intended by the other. Judging thus, without declaring their fentiments, they viewed, in fafety, the contests between the partizans of the two contending The confuls, having, on the day of their commencement in office, in compliance with the order of the senate, sacrificed victims of the larger kinds, in all the temples where the lectifternium was usually celebrated for the greater part of the year, and having, from them, collected omens that their prayers were accepted by the immortal gods, reported to the fenate, that the facrifices had been duly performed, and prayers offered respecting the The auruspices declared, that, " if any new undertaking was intended, it ought to be pro-« ceeded in without delay; that victory, triumphs, " and extension of empire were portended." The fenate then resolved that, " to the happiness and pro-" ferity of the Roman people, the confuls should, on the first proper day, propose to the people asfembled by centuries, that whereas Perseus, son

BOOK " of Philip, and king of Macedonia, contrary to the XLII. " league struck with his father, and after Philip's Y.R. est, " death renewed with himself, had committed hosti-B. C. 172. ce lities on the allies of the Roman people, had wasted " their lands, and seized their towns, and also had " formed a design of making war on the Roman " people, and had, for that purpole, prepared arms, " troops, and a fleet: and therefore, unless he gave sa-" tisfaction concerning those matters, that war should " be proclaimed against him." The question was passed by the people in the affirmative: on which, the senate decreed, that "the consuls should settle " between themselves, or cast lots for the provinces " of Italy and Macedonia; that the one, to whose " lot Macedonia fell, should seek redress, by force of " arms, from king Perseus, and all who concurred " in his defigns; unless they made satisfaction to the " Roman people."

> XXXI. It was ordered, that four new legions should be raised, two for each consul. the service in Macedonia, it was judged proper to exceed the usual standard, and instead of five thoufand foot, and two hundred horse, assigned to each of the other conful's legions, according to the antient practice, fix thousand foot and three hundred horse were ordered to be enlifted, for each of the legions that were to serve in Macedonia. Of the allied troops, also, the number was augmented in the army of that conful, who was ordered to carry into Macedonia, fixteen thousand foot, and eight hundred horse, besides the six hundred horsemen carried thither by Cneius Sicinius. For Italy, twelve thousand foor, and fix hundred horse, of the allies, were deemed fufficient. In another instance, an extraordinary degree of attention was shewn to the service in Macedonia; for the conful was authorised to enlist yeteran centurions, and foldiers, whom he chose, as old as fifty years. An unufual mode of proceeding, with regard to the military tribunes, was introduced, this

year, on occasion of the Macedonian war; for the BOOK confuls, by direction of the senate, recommended to the people, that, for that year, the military tribunes Y.R. 581. should not be created by their suffrages, but that the B. C. 178. confuls and prætors should have full power to choose and appoint them. The prætors had their several commands affigned them, in the following manner: the prætor, whose lot it fell to be employed whereever the senate should direct, was ordered to go to Brundusium, to the fleet there, to review the crews of the ships, and, dismissing such men as appeared unfit for the service, to enlist, in their places, sons of freed men, taking care that two-thirds should be Roman citizens, and the other allies. For supplying provisions to the fleet and legions, from Sicily and Sardinia, it was resolved, that the prætors, who obtained the government of those provinces, should be enjoined to levy a second tenth on the inhabitants, and to take care to have the corn conveyed into Macedonia, to the army. The lots gave Sicily to Caius Caninius Rebilus; Sardinia, to Lucius Furius Philus; Spain, to Lucius Canuleius; the city jurisdiction, to Caius Sulpicius Galba; and the foreign, to Lucius Villius Annalis. The lot of Caius Lucretius Gallus was, to be employed wherever the senate should direct.

XXXII. THE consuls had rather a slight dispute, than a warm contest, about a province. Cassius said, that "he would take the command against Mace-" donia without casting lots, nor could his colleague, "without perjury, abide the determination of lots. "When he was prætor, to avoid going to his pro-"vince, he made oath in the public assembly, that he had sacrifices to perform, on stated days, in a stated place, and that they could not be duly performed in his absence; and, surely, they could no more be performed duly in his absence, when he was consul, than when he was prætor. If the

BOOK " senate thought proper to pay more regard to what

" Publius Licinius wished, in his consulship, than to " what he had sworn in his prætorship, he himself, B. C. 171. " for his part, would, at all events, be ruled by that " body." When the question was put, the senators thought it would be a degree of arrogance in them, to refuse a province to a person, to whom the Roman people had not refused the consulship; and therefore they ordered the consuls to cast lots. fell to Publius Licinius, Italy to Cains Cassius. They then cast lots for the legions; when it fell to the lot of the first and third to go over into Macedonia; and of the fecond and fourth, to remain in Italy. making the levies, the confuls took unufual pains. Licinius enlifted even veteran centurions and foldiers; and many of them offered themselves voluntarily, as they faw that those men who had served in the former Macedonian war, or in Asia, had become When the military tribunes cited the centu--rions, and especially those of the highest rank, twenty-three centurions, who had held the first posts, on being cited, appealed to the tribunes of the people. Two of that body, Marcus Fulvius Nobilior and Marcus Claudius Marcellus, wished to refer the matter to the confuls; " the cognizance of it be-" longing properly to those who had the charge of " the levies and of the war:" but the rest declared, that fince the appeal had been made to them, they would examine into the affair; and, if there were any injustice in the case, would support their fellowcitizens.

> XXXIII. THE business, therefore, came into the court of the tribunes; and there attended the conful, the centurions, and Marcus Popillius, a man of confular rank, as advocate for the centurions. The conful then required, that the business might be discussed in a general affembly; and, accordingly, the people were summoned. On the side of the centurions, Marcus

Marcus Popillius, who had been conful two years BOOK before, argued thus: that "as military men, they had see served out their regular time, and their strength Y. R. 581. was now spent through age and continual hard. B. C. 171. Nevertheless, they did not refuse to give see the public the benefit of their services, they only se entreated that they might be favoured so far, as es not to be appointed to posts inferior to those which they had formerly held in the army." The conful, Publius Licinius, first, ordered the decree of the senate to be read, in which war was determined against Perseus; and then, the other, which directed, that as many veteran centurions as could be procured should be enlisted for that war; and that no exemption from the service should be allowed to any who was not upwards of fifty years of age. He then entreated, that, "at a time when a new war was breaksing out, so near to Italy, and with a most powerful king, they would not either obstruct the military stribunes in making the levies, or prevent the con-" ful from affigning to each person such a post as so best suited the convenience of the public; and " that, if any doubt should arise in the proceedings, si it might be referred to the decision of the senate."

XXXIV. When the consul had said what he thought it proper to say, Spurius Ligustinus, one of those who had appealed to the plebeian tribunes, requested permission from the consul and tribunes to speak a sew words to the people; and all having consented, he spoke, we are told, to this effect:

"Romans, my name is Spurius Ligustinus; I am of the Crustuminian tribe, and of a family originally Sabine. My sather less me one acre of land, and a small cottage, in which I was born and educated, and where I now dwell. As soon as I came to man's estate, my father married me to his brother's daughter, who brought nothing with her but independence and modesty; and, with these, a degree

BOOK « degree of fruitfulness that would have better suited , " a wealthier family. We have fix fons and two Y.R. 581. " daughters; the latter are both married; of our B, C. 171. " fons, four are grown up to manhood, the other " two are yet boys. I became a foldier in the con-" fulate of Publius Sulpicius and Caius Aurelius. In the army which was fent over into Macedonia " I served, as a common soldier, against Philip, two " years; and in the third year, Titus Quintius Fla-"mininus, in reward of my good conduct, gave me " the command of the tenth company of spearmen. When Philip and the Macedonians were subdued, " and we were brought back to Italy and discharged, "I immediately went a volunteer, with the conful " Marcus Porcius, into Spain. That no one com-" mander living was a more accurate observer, and " judge of merit, is well known to all who have had " experience of him, and of other generals, in a long " course of service. This commander judged me " deserving of being set at the head of the first com-" pany of spearmen. A third time, I entered a vo-" lunteer in the army which was sent against the "Ætolians and king Antiochus; and Manius Aci-" lius gave me the command of the first company " of first-rank men. After Antiochus was driven " out of the country, and the Ætolians were reduced, " we were brought home to Italy, where I ferved " the two succeeding years in legions that were raised " annually. I, afterwards, made two campaigns in " Spain; one under Quintus Fulvius Flaccus, the " other under Tiberius Sempronius Gracchus, præ-" tors. Flaccus brought me with him, among others, " whom he brought home to his triumph, out of re-" gard to their good services. It was at the parti-" cular request of Tiberius Gracchus that I went " with him to his province. Four times, within a er few years, was first centurion of my corps; thirtyfour times I was honoured by my commanders with presents for good behaviour. I have re-

eeived six civic crowns, I have fulfilled twenty- BOOK "two years of service in the army, and I am upwards of fifty years of age. But, if I had neither Y.R. 581. " ferved out all my campaigns, nor was entitled to B. C. 272. exemption on account of my age, yet Publius Licinius, as I can supply you with four soldiers in-" flead of myself, I might reasonably expect to be discharged. But, what I have said, I wish you to consider merely as a state of my case; as to offer-"ing any plea as an excuse from being enlisted, that " is what I will never do, so long as any officer en-" lifting troops shall think me fit for the service. What rank the military tribunes may think I deferve, they themselves can best determine. That " no one in the army may surpass me, in a zealous "discharge of duty, I shall use my best endeavours; and that I have always acted on that principle, both my commanders and my comrades can tefstify. And now, fellow-foldiers, you who affert "your privilege of appeal, as you have never, in " your youthful days, done any act contrary to the "directions of the magistrates and the senate, so " will it be highly becoming in you, now, to shew " yourselves obedient to the orders of the senate and confuls, and to think every post honourable in " which you can act for the defence of the common-" wealth."

XXXV. HAVING ended this speech, he was highly commended by the consul, who led him, from the assembly, into the senate-house, where, by order of the senate, he again received public thanks; and the military tribunes, in consideration of his meritorious behaviour, made him sirst centurion in the first legion. The rest of the centurions, dropping the appeal, enlisted without farther demur. That the magistrates might the sooner go into their provinces, the Latine session as that solemnity was ended,

BOOK ended, Caius Lucretius, the prætor, after fending forward every thing requilite for the fleet, went to Y. R. 581. Brundusium. Besides the armies which the consuls B. G. 171. were raising, Caius Sulpicius Galba, the prætor, was commissioned to raise four city legions, with the regular number of foot and horse, and to choose, out of the senate, four military tribunes to command them; likewise, to require from the Latine allies fifteen thousand foot, with twelve hundred horse, to be held in readiness to act wherever the senate should order. At the desire of the consul, Publius Licinius, the following auxiliaries were ordered to join the army of natives and allies under his command: two thousand Ligurians; a body of Cretan archers, whose number was not specified, the order only mentioning, whatever fuccours the Cretans, on being applied to, should send; likewise the Numidian cavalry, and elephants. To fettle about these last. ambassadors were sent to Masinissa and the Carthaginians, Lucius Postumius Albinus, Quintus Teren-To Crete, also, tius Culleo, and Caius Aburius. three ambassadors were sent, Aulus Postumius Albiaus, Caius Decimius, and Aulus Licinius Nerva.

> XXXVI. At this time arrived ambassadors from king Perseus, who were not suffered to come into the city; as the senate had already decreed, and the people had ordered, a declaration of war against their king, and against the Macedonians. The senate gave them audience in the temple of Bellona, when they spoke to this purport: that "king Perseus " wondered what could be their motive for transso porting troops into Macedonia; and that, if the er senate could be prevailed on to recall them, the « king would account, to the fatisfaction of the fe-" nate, for any injuries of which their allies might " complain." Spurius Carvilius had been sent home from Greece, by Cneius Sicinius, for the purpose of attending this business, and was present in the senate. 10 He

He charged the king with the storming of Perrhæ- BOOK bia, the taking of feveral cities of Thessaly, and other enterprises, in which he was either actually employed, Y. R. 581. or preparing to engage; and the ambassadors were B.C. 171. called on to answer to those points. This they declined, declaring that they had no farther instructions. On which they were ordered to tell their king, that "the conful, Publius Licinius, would foon " be in Macedonia at the head of an army. To him " he might fend ambassadors, if he were disposed to make fatisfaction, but he need fend none to Rome: " nor would they be suffered to pass through Italy." After they were thus dismissed, a charge was given to the conful, Publius Licinius, to infift on their quitting Italy within eleven days, and to fend Spurius Carvilius to guard them until they embarked. Such were the transactions at Rome, before the departure of the confuls for their provinces. Cneius Sicinius, who, before the expiration of his office, had been fent to Brundusium to the fleet and army, had, by this time, transported into Epirus five thousand foot and three hundred horse, and was encamped at Nymphæum, in the territory of Apollonia. thence he fent tribunes, with two thousand men, to take possession of the forts of the Dassaretians and Illyrians; those people themselves having invited him to fend garrisons, to secure them from the inroads of the Macedonians in their neighbourhood.

XXXVII. A FEW days after, Quintus Marcius, Aulus Atilius, Publius Cornelius Lentulus, Servius Cornelius Lentulus, and Lucius Decimius, who were appointed ambassadors to Greece, carried with them one thousand soldiers to Corcyra; where they divided the foldiers among them, and fettled what districts they were to visit. Decimius was fixed on to go to Gentius, king of Illyria, and instructed to found him whether he retained any regard for former friendship; and even to prevail on him to take part in the VOL. VI.

BOOK war. The two Lentuluses were sent to Cephalle-XLII. nia, that, from thence, they might cross over into Y.R. 581. Peloponnesus; and, before the winter, make a cir-B. C. 171. cuit round the western coast. Marcius and Atilius were appointed to visit Epirus, Ætolia, and Thessaly; they were directed to take a view afterwards of Bœotia and Eubœa, and then to pass over to Peloponnesus, where, by appointment, they were to meet the Lentuluses. Before they set out on their several routes from Corcyra, a letter was brought from Perfeus, inquiring the reason of the Romans sending troops into Greece, and taking possession of the They did not think proper to give him any cities. answer in writing; but they told his messenger, who brought the letter, that the motive of the Romans was, the securing the safety of the cities themselves. The Lentuluses, going round the cities of Peloponnesus, exhorted all the states, without distinction, as they had affifted the Romans with fidelity and spirit, first, in the war with Philip, and then, in that with Antiochus, to assist them, now, in like manner, against This occasioned some murmuring in the Perfeus. affemblies; for the Achæans were highly offended, that they, who, from the very first rise of a war with Macedonia, had given every instance of friendship to the Romans, and taken an active part against the Macedonians in the war with Philip, should be treated on the same footing with the Messenians and Elians, who had borne arms on the fide of Antiochus against the Roman people, and who, being lately incorporated in the Achæan union, made heavy complaints, as if they were made over to the victorious Achaeans as a prize of conquest.

XXXVIII. Marcius and Atilius going up to Gitanæ, a town of Epirus, about ten miles from the fea, held there a council of the Epirotes, in which they were listened to with universal approbation; and they sent thence four hundred young men of that country

country to Oresta, to protect those whom they had BOOK freed from the dominion of the Macedonians. From this place they proceeded into Ætolia; where, hav- Y.R. 581. ing waited a few days, until a new prætor was chosen, B. C. 171. in the room of one who had died, and the election having fallen on Lycifcus, who was well known to be a friend to the interest of the Romans, they passed over into Thessaly. There they were attended by envoys from the exiled Acarnanians and Bœotians. The Acarnanians had orders to represent, that "what-"ever offences towards the Romans they had " been guilty of, first in the war with Philip, and " afterwards in that with Antiochus, in conse-" quence of being misled by the professions of those " kings, they had found an opportunity to expiate. " As, when their demerits were great, they had ex-" perienced the clemency of the Roman people, fo "they would now, by their endeavours to merit fa-" vour, make trial of its generosity." The Boeotians were upbraided with having united themselves in alliance with Perseus; but they threw the blame on Ismenias, the leader of the other party, and alleged, that " several states were drawn into that mea-" fure, contrary to their own judgment:" to which Marcius replied, that "this would appear, for it was " intended to give to every one of the states the " power of judging for itself." The council of the Thessalians was held at Larissa. At this meeting, both parties had abundant matter for mutual expressions of gratitude: the Thessalians, for the blessing of liberty conferred on them; and the ambassadors, for the vigorous assistance afforded by the Thessalians, in the wars with Philip and Antiochus. Their reciprocal acknowledgments of past favours kindled fuch a warm zeal in the breafts of the affembly, that they voted every measure defired by the Romans. Soon after this meeting, ambassadors arrived from king Perseus, whose principal inducement to this step was, the hope he derived from a connexion of hospitality H 2

B O O K hospitality subsisting between him and Marcius, which XLII. was formed by their fathers. The ambassadors began Y.R. 581. with reminding him of this bond of amity, and then B.C. 1711 requested him to give the king an opportunity of conferring with him. Marcius answered, that "he " had received from his father the same account of " the friendship, and hospitable connection, between " him and Philip; and the confideration of that conof nection it was that induced him to undertake the or present embassy. That he had not so long de-" layed to give the king a meeting, could it have " been done without incovenience; and that, now, " he and his colleague would, as foon as it should " be in their power, come to the river Peneus, " where the passage was from Omolium to Dium, " and would fend previous notice to the king."

> XXXIX. Perseus, on this, withdrew from Dium into the heart of the kingdom, having conceived fome degree of hope from the expression of Marcius, that he had undertaken the embassy out of regard to him. After a few days, they all met at the appointed place. The king came with a very numerous retinue, being furrounded by a multitude both of friends and guards. The train of the ambaffadors was not less numerous, for they were accompanied by a great many from Larissa, and by the ambassadors of many states, who had met them there, and wished to carry home certain information, on the politive testimony of what they themselves should hear. All men selt a strong curiofity to behold a meeting between fo celebrated a king, and the ambassadors of the first people in the world. After they came within fight, on the oppofite banks of the river, some time was spent in fending messengers from one to the other, to settle which should cross it; for one party thought the compliment due to royal majesty, the other to the fame of the Roman people, especially as Perseus had requested the conference. A jocular expression of Marcius

Marcius put an end to the other's reluctance. "Let B O O K " the younger," faid he, " cross over to the elder; XLII. " the son to the father:" for his own surname was Y.R. 581. Philip. The king was eafily perfuaded to comply; B. C. 171. but, then, another difficulty arose, about the number he should bring over with him. He thought it would be proper to bring over his whole retinue; but the ambassadors required, that he should either come over with three attendants only, or, if he brought fo great a band, that he should give hostages that no treachery should be used during the conference. He accordingly sent as hostages, Hippias and Pantaucus, two of his particular friends, the same whom he had fent as ambassadors. The intent of demanding hostages was, not so much, to get a pledge of good faith, as to demonstrate to the allies, that the king did not meet the ambassadors on a footing of equal dignity. Their falutations were not like those between enemies, but kind and friendly, and feats being placed for them, they fat down together.

XL. AFTER a short silence, Marcius began thus: " I suppose you expect us to give an answer to your " letter, sent to Corcyra, in which you ask the reason, " why we, ambassadors, come attended by soldiers, " and why we fend garrifons into the cities? To this " question of yours it is painful to me either to refuse " an answer, left I should appear too haughty; or " to give a true answer, lest, to your ears, it might " feem too harsh. But, since the person, who in-" fringes a treaty, must be reproved, either with words " or with arms, as I could wish that any other, rather " than myself, should be employed in a war against you, " so I will undergo the task, however disagreeable, of " uttering harsh language against my friend, as phy-" ficians, for the recovery of ..ealth, sometimes apply " painful remedies. The senate is of opinion, that, " fince you came to the throne, you have done but one " thing that you ought to have done, in fending am-" bassadors H 3

BOOK " bassadors to Rome to renew the treaty; which yet XLII. " it would have been better never to have renewed, "they think, than, after it was renewed, to violate Y.R.581. B. C. 171. " it. You expelled from his throne Abrupolis, an ally and friend of the Roman people: you gave " refuge to the murderers of Artetarus, shewing that " you were pleased at the murder, to say nothing " worse; though they put to death a prince, who, " of all the Illyrians, was the most faithful to the You marched with an army "Roman nation. "through Thessaly and the Malian territory to "Delphi, contrary to the treaty. You likewise, " contrary to treaty, sent succours to the Byzan-You concluded and swore to a separate " alliance between yourself and the Boeotians our " allies, which you had no right to do. " versa and Callicritus, the Theban ambassadors, who " were returning home from us, I wish rather to in-" quire who were their murderers, than to charge the " fact on any one. To whom elfe, than your agents, can the civil war in Ætolia, and the deaths of the " principal inhabitants, be imputed? The country " of the Dolopians was ravaged by you in person. "King Eumenes, on his way from Rome to his own "dominions, was almost butchered, as a victim, at " the altars in consecrated ground, at Delphi, and " it grieves me to mention the person whom he ac-" cuses. With regard to the secret crimes, which " the host at Brundusium charges in his information, " I take for granted that you have received full ac-" counts, both by letter from Rome, and the report " of your own ambassadors. There was one way " by which you might have avoided hearing these " things from me, which was, by not inquiring why we brought troops into Macedonia, or fent garri-" fons into the cities of our allies. When you had asked the question, it would have been more rude " in us to keep filence, than to answer according to

" truth. Out of regard to the friendship derived

"to us from our fathers, I am really disposed B O O K to listen favourably to whatever you may fay, XLII. and shall be happy if you afford me any grounds, Y. R. 581. on which I may plead your cause before the B. C. 171. see senate."

XLI. To this the king answered, "A cause which " would approve itself good, if tried before impar-" tial judges, I am to plead before judges, who are, " at the same time, my accusers. Of the facts laid " to my charge, some are of such a nature, that I " know not whether I ought not to glory in them; " others there are, which I shall confess without a " blush; and others, which, as they rest on bare as-" fertions, it will be fufficient to deny. Supposing " that I were, this day, to stand a trial, according " to your laws, what does either the Brundusian in-" former, or Eumenes, allege against me that would " be deemed a well-founded accusation, and not " rather a malicious aspersion? It may be that Eu-" menes, although, both in his public and private " capacity, he has done many grievous injuries to " so many people, has yet no other enemy than me; " and that I could not find a better agent, for the " perpetration of wickedness, than Rammius, whom " I had never seen before, nor had any probability " of ever feeing again. Then, I must give an ac-" count of the Thebans, who, it is well known, pe-" rished by shipwreck: and of the death of Arteta-" rus; with regard to whom, nothing more is alleged " against me, than, that the persons who killed him " lived, in exile, in my dominions. To such reason-" ing as this, unfair as it is, I will not object, on my " part, provided you will admit it on yours; and " will acknowledge that, whatever exiles have taken " refuge in Rome or in Italy, you are, yourselves, " abettors of the crimes for which they have been " condemned. If you admit not this principle, as other nations will not, neither will I. In truth, H 4

BOOK " to what purpose should people be permitted to " go into banishment, if an exile is to be no where Y.R. 581. " admitted? As foon, however, as I understood, B. C. 172. " from your representations, that those men were in " Macedonia, I ordered that fearch should be made " for them, and that they should quit the kingdom; " and I prohibited them for ever from fetting foot in my dominions. On these articles, indeed, I stand " accused as a criminal; the others affect me as a " king, and must be decided by the terms of the " treaty subsisting between you and me. For, if it " is thus expressed in the treaty, that, even in case " of war being made on me, I am not allowed to " protect myself and my kingdom; I must then confess that the treaty-has been violated, by de-" fending myself, with arms, against Abrupolis, an " ally of the Roman people. But, on the other " hand, if it is both allowed by the treaty, and is an " axiom established by the law of nations, that force " may be repelled by force; how, I pray you, ought " I to have acted when Abrupolis had spread de-" vastation over the frontiers of my kingdom as far " as Amphipolis, carried off great numbers of free ex persons, a vast multitude of slaves, and many thousands of cattle? Ought I to have lain quiet, " and let him proceed until he came in arms to " Pella, into my very palace? But, allowing the " justice of the war waged against him, yet he ought " not to have been subdued, and made to suffer the evils incident to the vanquished. Nay, but when " I, who was the person attacked, underwent the " hazard of all these, how can he, who was the cause of the war, complain if they happened to fall upon " him? As to my having punished the Dolopians " by force of arms, I mean not, Romans, to use the " same mode of desence; because, whether they de-" ferved that treatment or not, I acted in right of my own fovereign authority: for they were my " fubiccts, were under my dominion, annexed to my " father's

father's territories by your decree. Nor, if I were to give an account of my conduct, I do not fay to you, nor other my confederates, but even to such Y.R.581.

so disapprove of a severe and unjust exercise of B.C. 172.

suthority, even over slaves, would it appear that I have carried my severity against them beyond the limits of justice and equity; for they slew Euphranor, the governor whom I had set over them, in such a manner, that death was the slightest of his sufferings.

XLII. "Bur, it seems, when I proceeded thence " to visit Larissa, Antron, and Pteleos, that I might " be within a convenient distance to pay vows, due " long before, I went up to Delphi in order to offer " facrifice; and here, with the purpose of aggravat-" ing the guilt, it is subjoined, that I was attended by " an army, with intent, to be fure, to do what I now " complain of your doing, to feize the towns, and " put garrisons in them. Now, call together, in " affembly, the states of Greece, through which I " marched; and if any one person complain of ill " treatment, offered by a foldier of mine, I will not deny, that, under a pretence of facrificing, I co-" vered other designs. We sent aid to the Ætolians " and Byzantians, and made a treaty of friendship with the Bœotians. These proceedings, of what-" ever nature they may be, have been repeatedly er avowed by my ambassadors; and, what is more, " excused before your senate; where I had several " of my judges not so favourable as you, Quintus " Marcius, my paternal friend and guest. But, at " that time, my accuser, Eumenes, had not come to « Rome; one, who, by misrepresenting and distort-" ing every occurrence, rendered it suspicious and " odious, and endeavoured to persuade you, that "Greece could not be free, nor enjoy the benefit of " your kindness, while the kingdom of Macedonia " fublisted. The wheel will come round; people ≪ will BOOK " will foon be found who will insist, that Antiochus " was in vain removed beyond the mountains of " Taurus; that Eumenes is more burthensome to B. C. 171. " Afia than Antiochus was; and that your allies can " never enjoy quiet so long as there is a palace at " Pergamus: for this was raised as a citadel over " the heads of the neighbouring states. Quintus " Marcius and Aulus Atilius, I am aware that the " charges which you have made against me, and the " arguments which I urged in my defence, will have " just so much weight, as the ears and the tempers " of the hearers are disposed to allow them; and that " the question, what I have done, or with what intention, is not of so much importance, as what con-" struction you may put on what has been done. am conscious to myself, that I have not, know-" ingly, done wrong; and that, if through impru-" dence I have fallen into any error, the reproofs "which I have now received are sufficient to correct " and reform me. I have certainly committed no " fault that is incurable, or deferving of punishment " by war and arms: for, furely, the fame of your " clemency, and confiftency of conduct, spread over "the world, is ill-founded; if, on fuch causes, as " scarcely justify complaint or expostulation, you " take up arms, and make war on kings in alliance " with you."

XLIII. Marcius, for the time, affented to the reasonableness of what he urged; and recommended it to him to send ambassadors to Rome, as he thought it best to try every expedient to the last, and to omit nothing that might afford any prospect of peace. It remained to be considered how the ambassadors might travel with safety; and although, to this end, it was necessary that the king should ask a truce, which Marcius wished for, and in sact had no other view in consenting to the conference, yet he granted it with apparent reluctance, and as a great savour to the person

person requesting it. For, at that juncture, the Ro- BOOK mans had none of their preparations for war in sufficient forwardness; they had no army, no general: Y.R. 58z. whereas Perseus had every thing prepared and ready: B. C. 171, and if a vain hope of peace had not blinded his judgment, he might have begun the war at a time most advantageous to himself, and distressing to his enemies. After the breaking up of this conference, and the truce being ratified by both parties, the Roman ambassadors bent their route towards Bœotia, where great commotions were now beginning; for several of the states withdrew themselves from the union of the general confederacy of the Bœotians, on being told the answer of the ambassadors, that "it would "appear what particular states were displeased er at the forming of the alliance with the king." First, ambassadors from Chæronea; then, others from Thebes, met the Romans on the road, and affured them, that they were not present in the council wherein that alliance was resolved on. baffadors gave them no answer, at the present, but ordered them to go with them to Chalcis. Thebes a violent dissension arose out of another contest. The party descated in the election of prætors of Bœotia, resolving to revenge the affront, collected the multitude, and passed a decree at Thebes. that the new Boeotarchs should not be admitted into the cities. All the persons, thus exiled, betook themselves to Thespiæ, where they were received without hesitation; and, the people's minds changing, they were recalled thence to Thebes. There they got a decree passed, that the twelve persons, who, without being invested with public authority, had held an affembly and council, should be punished with banishment. And, afterwards, the new prætor, Ismenias, a man of distinction and power, procured a decree condemning them, although absent, to capital punishment. They had fled to Chalcis; and, from thence, they proceeded to Larissa, to the Romans;

B O O K to whom they represented, that Ismenias, alone, was XLII. to be blamed for the alliance concluded with Perseus. Y.R. 581. The contest originated in a party dispute; yet ambec. 271. bassadors from both sides waited on the Romans, as did the existes, accusers of Ismenias, and Ismenias himself.

XLIV. When they were all arrived at Chalcis, the chiefs of the other states, each by a particular decree of their own, which was the method most pleasing to the Romans, renounced the alliance of Perseus, and joined themselves to the Romans. menias recommended, that the Boeotian nation should be placed under the protection of the Romans; on which so violent a dispute arose, that, if he had not fled for shelter to the tribunal of the ambassadors, he would have been in the most imminent danger of losing his life, by the hands of the exiles and their Thebes itself, the capital of Bœotia, was in a violent ferment, one party struggling hard to bring the state over to the king, the other to the Romans; and multitudes had come together, from Coronæ and Haliartus, to support the decree in fayour of an alliance with Perseus. But the firmness of the chiefs, who defired them to judge, from the defeats of Philip and Antiochus, how great must be the power and fortune of the Roman empire, so far prevailed on the mukitude, that they not only passed a resolution to cancel the alliance with the king, but also, to gratify the ambassadors, sent the promoters of that alliance to Chalcis, and ordered, that the state should be recommended to the protection of the ambassadors. This deputation from the Thebans gave great joy to Marcius and Atilius, and they recommended to each of the states to send separate embasfies to Rome to make a renewal of friendship. They required, as an effential point, that the exiles should be restored, and they passed a sentence condemning the advisers of the treaty with the king. Having thus

thus disjunited the members of the Bæotian council, BOOK which was their grand object, they proceeded to Peloponnesus, first sending for Servius Cornelius to Y.R. 581. Chalcis. An affembly was summoned to meet them at Argos, where they demanded nothing more from the Achæans, than the surnishing of one thousand soldiers, which were sent to secure Chalcis until a Roman army should come into Greece.

XLV. MARCIUS and Atilius, having finished what business was to be done in Greece, returned to Rome in the beginning of winter. An embaffy had been dispatched thence, about the same time, into Asia, to the several islands. The ambassadors were three: Tiberius Claudius, Publius Postumius, and Marcus Junius. These, making a circuit among the allies, exhorted them to undertake the war against Perseus, in conjunction with the Romans; and the more powerful any state was, the more zealous were they in their applications, judging that the smaller states would follow the lead of the greater. The Rhodians were esteemed of the utmost consequence, on every account; because they could not only countenance the war, but support a great share of it by their own strength, having, pursuant to the advice of Hegefilochus, forty ships ready for sea. This man being chief magistrate, whom they call Prytanis, had, by many arguments, prevailed on the Rhodians to banish those hopes, which they had conceived from courting the favour of kings, and which they had, in repeated instances, found fallacious, and to cherish carefully the alliance of Rome, the only one, at that time in the world, that could be relied on for stability, whether power or fidelity were to be considered. He told them, that "a war was upon the co point of breaking out with Perseus: that the "Romans would expect the fame naval armament " which they had feen, lately, in the war with Anti-" ochus, and, formerly, in that with Philip: that " they

B O O K "they would be hurried, in the hasty equipment of XLII. "a sleet, at a time when it ought to be at sea, unless Y.R. 581. "they immediately set about the repairing and man-B.C. 171. "ning of their ships: and that this they ought to do "with the greater diligence, in order to resute, by the evidence of sacts, the imputations thrown on them by Eumenes." Roused by these arguments, they rigged and sitted out a sleet of sorty ships, which they shewed to the Roman ambassadors on their arrival, to convince them they had not waited to be solicited. This embassy had great effect in conciliating the affections of the states in Asia. Decimius alone, returned to Rome without effecting any thing, and under the scandalous suspicion of having received money from the Illyrian kings.

XLVI. Perseus, after the conference with the Romans, retired into Macedonia, and fent ambaffadors to Rome to carry on the negotiation for peace commenced with Marcius, giving them letters, to be delivered at Byzantium and Rhodes. The purport of all the letters was the same: that he had conferred with the Roman ambassadors; and what he had heard from them, and what he had faid, was represented in such colours, as that he might seem to have had the advantage in the debate. In presence of the Rhodians, the ambaffadors added, that "they " were confident of a continuance of peace, for it " was by the advice of Marcius and Atilius that they " were sent ambassadors to Rome. But, if the Ro-" mans should persist in their hostile designs, con-" trary to treaty, it would then be the business of the Rhodians to labour, with all their power and " all their interest, for the re-establishment of peace; but that, if their mediation should prove ineffecet tual, they ought then to take such measures as "would prevent the power and dominion of the. " whole world from coming into the hands of one " nation. That, as this was a matter of general

concern, so it was peculiarly interesting to the BOOK "Rhodians, as they surpassed the other states in XLII. dignity and power, which must be held on terms y. R. 581. of servility and dependence, if there were no other B. C. 171. " resource for redress than the Romans." Both the letter, and the discourse, of the ambassadors were received by the Rhodians with every appearance of kindness; they had, however, but little efficacy towards working a change in their minds, for, by this time, the best-judging party had the superior influence. By public order, this answer was given, that " the Rhodians wished for peace; but, if war should " take place, they hoped that the king would not expect, or require, from them any thing that might " break off the old friendship between them and the Romans, the fruit of many and great fervices performed on their part both in war and peace." On their way home from Rhodes, they visited also the states of Bœotia, Thebes, Coronæa, and Haliartus; for it was thought, that the measure of abandoning the alliance with the king, and joining the Romans, was extorted from them against their will. Thebans, though somewhat displeased with the Romans, on account of the sentence passed on their nobles, and the restoration of the exiles, yet suffered not their fentiments to be changed; but the Coronæans and Haliartians, out of a kind of natural attachment to kings, fent ambassadors to Macedonia, requesting the aid of a body of troops to defend them against the insolent tyranny of the Thebans. To this application the king answered, that, " on account of "the truce concluded with the Romans, it was not in his power to fend troops; but he recommended " to them, to guard themselves against ill-treatment " from the Thebans, as well as they could, without " affording the Romans a pretext for venting their " resentment on him."

XLVII. WHEN Marcius and Atilius returned to Rome, and reported, in the Capitol, the result of their BOOK their embassy, they assumed not more merit for any thing, than for having over-reached the king by the Y.R. 581, truce, and the hope of peace given him; for "he was B. C. 171. " fo fully provided," they faid, " with every requise fite for the immediate commencement of war, " while on their fide no one thing was in readiness, " that all the convenient posts might be preoccu-" pied by him, before an army could be transported " into Greece: but, in consequence of gaining so " much time by the truce, the Romans would begin "the war in a state of much better preparation; whereas he would come into the field without any " advantage beyond what he already possessed." They mentioned, also, that "they had so effectually " difunited the members of the Boeotian council, " that they could never again, with any degree of "unanimity, connect themselves with the Macedo-" nians." A great part of the senate approved of these proceedings, as conducted with consummate wisdom: but the older members, who retained the antient simplicity of manners, declared, that, "in " the conduct of that embaffy, they could discover " nothing of the Roman genius. Their ancestors " waged war not by stratagems, and attacks in the " night, nor by counterfeiting flight, and returning " unexpectedly on an unguarded foe, nor fo as to " glory in cunning more than in real valour. Their " practice was, to declare war, and even proclaim it " to the party, before they entered on action; nay, " they fometimes appointed the fpot where they in-" tended to fight. Actuated by these principles of "honour, they gave information to king Pyrrhus, of " his physician plotting against his life; and, upon the " same principle, they delivered, bound, to the Fa-" liscians, the betrayer of their children. These were "Roman acts, not refulting from the craft of Car-" thaginians or the subtilty of Greeks, among whom " it is reckoned more glorious to deceive an enemy, " than to overcome him by force. It fometimes " happens that greater present advantages may be " acquired

" when the confession has been extorted from him, Y.R. 381. " that he was vanquished, not by artifice, nor by B.C. 175,

" acquired by artifice than by bravery; but then, BOOK " only, is a person's spirit finally subdued for ever, " chance, but in a just and open war, in a fair trial " of strength hand to hand." Such were the sentiments of the elder members, who did not approve of this modern kind of wisdom. But the majority paid more regard to utility than to honour, and passed a vote, approving of Marcius's conduct in his former embassy, and ordering that he should be sent again into Greece with some ships, and with authority to act, in other matters, as he should judge most conducive to the public good. They also sent Aulus Atilius to keep possession of Larissa, in Thessaly; fearing left, on the expiration of the armiltice, Perfeus might fend troops, and secure to himself that metropolis of Thessaly. For the execution of this design it was ordered, that Atilius should be furnished by Cneius Sicinius with two thousand foot. Lentulus, who had come home from Achaia, was commissioned to take the command of a party of three hundred foldiers, natives of Italy, to fix his quarters, with them, at Thebes, and to endeavour to keep Bœotia in obedience.

XLVIII. AFTER these preparatory steps were taken, the senate, notwithstanding their determination for war was fixed, yet judged it proper to give audience to the king's ambassadors. Their discourse was, principally, a repetition of what had been urged by the king in the conference. The point which they laboured with the greatest earnestness, was, the exculpating him from the guilt of the ambush laid for Eumenes; but their arguments carried no degree of conviction, the affair was fo notorious. The rest confifted of apologies, and wishes for the continuance of amity. But their hearers were not in a temper to be either convinced or persuaded. They were or-VOL. VI. dered

BOOK dered to quit the city of Rome instantly, and Italy XLII. within thirty days. Then Publius Licinius, the con-Y. R. 181. ful, to whose lot the province of Macedonia had fallen, B. C. 171. was charged to appoint the day for affembling the army as early as possible. Caius Lucretius, the prætor, whose province was the fleet, sailed from the city with forty quinqueremes; for it was judged proper to keep at the city, for other exigencies, some of the ships that were repaired. The prætor sent forward his brother, Marcus Lucretius, with one quinquereme; and ordered him to collect from the allies the ships due by treaty, and to join the fleet at Cephallenia. He received from the Rhegians one trireme, from the Locrians two, and from the Bruttians four; and then, coasting along the shore of Italy, until he passed the farthest promontory of Calabria, in the Ionian sea, he shaped his course over to Dyrrachium. Finding there ten barks, belonging to the Dyrrachians themselves, twelve belonging to the Issans, and fifty-four to king Gentius, he pretended to believe that they had been brought thither for the use of the Romans; and, carrying them all off, failed, in three days.

XLIX. ABOUT this time the consul, Publius Licinius, after offering vows in the Capitol, marched out of the city in his military robes. This ceremony, which is always conducted with great dignity and folemnity, on this occasion, particularly, engaged people's eyes and thoughts in an unusual degree, while they escorted the consul, on his setting out against an enemy so formidable and conspicuous both for abilities and resources. For they were drawn to-

gether,

the fleet, in the voyage, might rejoin it.

to Corcyra, and thence, directly, to Cephallenia. The prætor, Caius Lucretius, set sail from Naples, and, passing the streight, arrived on the fifth day at Cephallenia. There the fleet halted, until the land forces should be carried over, and until the transport vessels, which had been separated from the body of

gether, not only by their defire to pay him the cus- BOOK tomary respect, but by an earnest wish to behold the XLII. show, and to have a fight of the commander, to Y.R. 581. whose wisdom and conduct they intrusted the main- B.C. 171. tenance of the public safety. Then occurred such reflections as these: "How various were the chances " of war; how uncertain the issue of a contest de-" pending on fortune; how variable the success of " arms; how frequent the viciflitudes of losses and " fuccesses; what disasters often happened through " the unskilfulness and rashness of commanders; and, " on the contrary, what advantages accrued from " their judgment and valour. What human being " could yet know, either the capacity, or the for-" tune, of the conful, whom they were fending against " the enemy; whether they were shortly to see him' " at the head of a victorious army mounting the Ca-" pitol, in triumph, to revisit the same gods from whom " he now took his departure; or whether they were " to give a like cause of exultation to their enemies." Then, king Perseus, against whom he was going, had a high reputation, derived from the great martial' character of the Macedonian nation, and from his father Philip; who, besides many prosperous atchievements, had gained a large share of renown, even in his war with the Romans. Besides, the name of Perseus himself was formidable, having been, ever since his first accession to the throne, the constant subject of conversation and apprehension, on account of the expected war. The conful was accompanied by two military tribunes of confular rank, Caius Claudius and Quintus Mucius; and by three illustrious young men, Publius Lentulus, and two Manlius Acidinuses, one the fon of Marcus Manlius, the other of Lucius. With these he went to Brundusium to the army; and failing over thence, with all his forces, pitched his camp at Nymphæum, in the territory of Apollonia.

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BOOK L. A rew days before this, Perseus, having learned from his ambassadors, on their return from Rome, Y.R. 581. that every hope of peace was cut off, held a council, B. C. 171. in which, the opinions being different, a long debate Some were of opinion, that he ought to pay a tribute, or even to cede a part of his dominions, if that were infifted on; in short, that he ought not to refuse submitting, for the sake of peace, to any hardship whatsoever; and by no means to pursue meafures which would expose himself and his kingdom to fuch a perilous hazard. For, "if he retained un-" disputed possession of the throne, time and the re-" volution of affairs might produce many conjunc-" tures, which would enable him not only to re-" cover his losses, but to become formidable to those " whom he now had reason to dread." siderable majority, however, expressed sentiments of They insisted that " the cession of a bolder nature. " any part would be followed by the cession of the " whole kingdom. For it was neither money nor " territory that the Romans wanted: but they con-" fidered, that, as all human affairs, so those of the " greatest magnitude, even kingdoms and empires, " are subject to many casualties; that they had them-" felves broken the power of the Carthaginians, and " fettled, in their neighbourhood, an overpowerful "king, as a yoke on their necks; and that they had « removed Antiochus, and his future successors, be-"yound the mountains of Taurus. There now remained only the kingdom of Macedonia near in " fituation, and fuch as might, in case of any shock " being given to the power of Rome, inspire its "kings with the spirit of their forefathers. Perseus. therefore, ought, while his affairs were yet in a " state of safety, to consider well in his own mind, " whether it were more advisable for him to give up " one part of his dominions after another, until, at er length, stripped of all power, and exiled from his " kingdom, he should be reduced to beg from the "Romans,

Romans, either Samothracia or some other island; BOOK "where, as a private man, and after furviving his " own reign, he might grow old in poverty and Y.R. 381. " contempt: or, on the other hand, to stand forth B.C. 171. " armed in vindication of his fortune and his honour; "and, as is the part of a brave man, either to " endure, with patience, whatever misfortune the " chance of war might bring upon him, or, by vic-" tory, deliver the world from the tyranny of Rome. "There would be nothing more wonderful, in the " Romans being driven out of Greece, than in Han-" nibal's being driven out of Italy; nor, in truth, " did they fee how it could confift with the character " of the prince, who had shewn the utmost vigour in " refisting the unjust designs of his brother, aspiring " to the throne, after he had fairly obtained it him-" felf, to furrender it up to foreigners. That war " was the proper means even for procuring peace, " was so generally allowed by all the world, that " nothing was accounted more shameful than to " yield up a throne without a struggle, and nothing " more glorious than for a prince to have experi-" enced every kind of fortune in the defence of his " crown and dignity."

LI. The council was held at Pella, in the old palace of the Macedonian kings. In conclusion, Perseus said, "Let us then, with the help of the gods, wage war, since that is your opinion;" and, dispatching letters to all the commanders of the troops, he drew together his entire force at Cytium, a town of Macedonia. He himself, after making a royal offering, of one hundred victims, which he sacrificed to Minerva, called Alcide, set out for Cytium, attended by a band of nobles and guards. All the forces, both of the Macedonians and foreign auxiliaries, had assembled here before his arrival. He encamped them before the city, and drew them all

BOOK up, under arms, in order of battle, in a plain. The

*LII., amount of the whole was forty-three thousand armed Y.R. 581. men; of whom about one-half composed the pha-B. C. 171. lanx, and were commanded by Hippias of Bercea: there were then two cohorts selected for their superior strength, and the vigour of their age, out of the whole number of the shield-bearers; these they called a legion, and the command of them was given to Leonatus and Thrasippus of Eulyea. Antiphilus of Edessa commanded the rest of the shield-bearers. about three thousand men. About the same number, of three thousand, was made up of Pæonians, and men from Parorea and Parstrymonia, places subject to Thrace, and Agrians, with a mixture of some These had been armed and emnative Thracians. bodied by Didas, the Pæonian, the murderer of young Demetrius. There were two thousand Gallic soldiers, under the command of Asclepiodotus; three thousand independent Thracians, from Heraclea, in the country of the Sintians, had a general of their An equal number, nearly, of Cretans followed their own generals, Susus of Phalasarna, and Syllus of Gnossus. Leonides, a Lacedæmonian, commanded a body of five hundred Greeks, confisting of various forts of men. This man was said to be of the royal blood, and had been condemned to exile in a full council of the Achæans on account of a letter to Perseus, which was intercepted. The Ætolians and Bœotians, in all not exceeding the number of five hundred, were commanded by Lycho, an Achæan. These auxiliaries, composed of so many states and so many nations, made up about twelve thousand fighting men. Of cavalry, he had collected, from all parts of Macedonia, three thousand; and Cotys, son of Seutha, king of the Odrysian nation, was arrived with one thousand chosen horsemen, and nearly the same number of foot. The total number of the army was thirty-nine thoufand foot, and four thousand horse. Most certainly, fince fince the army which Alexander the Great led into BOOK Asia, no king of Macedonia had ever been at the head of so powerful a force.

R. Y. 581. B. C. 178.

LII. It was now twenty-three years fince peace had been granted to the fuit of Philip; and Macedonia, having, through all that period, enjoyed quiet, was become exceedingly populous, and very many were now grown up, and become qualified for the duties of the field; the unimportant wars, also, which they had fustained with the neighbouring states of Thrace, had given them exercise, rather than satigue, so that they were in continual practice of military fervice. And, besides, as a war with Rome had been long meditated, by Philip, first, and, afterwards, by Perfeus, every requisite preparation was fully completed. The troops performed some few movements, but not the regular course of exercise, only that they might not feem merely to have stood motionless under arms. He then called them, armed as they were, to an affembly. He himself stood on his tribunal, with his two fons, one on each fide of him; the elder of whom, Philip, was by birth his brother, his fon by adoption; the younger, named Alexander, was his fon by birth. The king endeavoured to animate the troops to a vigorous profecution of the war. He enumerated the inflances of injurious treatment practifed by the Romans on his father and himself; told them, that is father, having been compelled, by every kind of indignity, to refolve on a renewal of hostilities, was, in the midst of his preparations for war, ar-" rested by fate: that, when the Romans sent ambassadors to himself, they, at the same time, sent " troops to seize the cities of Greece: that then, " under the pretext of re-establishing peace, they foun out the winter, by means of a fallacious con-" ference, in order to gain time to put themselves " in readiness: that their consul was now coming, with two Roman legions, containing each fix thou-

THE HISTORY 120 BOOK " fand foot and three hundred horse, and nearly the " fame number of auxiliaries; and, should they be Y.R. 581. " joined by the auxiliary troops of Eumenes and B.C. 171. "Masinissa, yet these could not amount to more " than seven thousand foot and two thousand horse." He defired them, "after hearing the state of the ene-" my's forces, to reflect on their own army, how far it excelled, both in number, and in the qualifications " of the men, a body of raw recruits, enlifted in a "hurry for the present war; whereas they them-" selves, from their childhood, had been instructed " in the arts of war, and had been disciplined and " feafoned in a course of so many wars. The auxi-" liaries of the Romans were Lydians, Phrygians, " and Numidians; while his were Thracians and "Gauls, the fiercest nations in the world. er troops had fuch arms as each needy foldier pro-" cured for himself; but those of the Macedonians " were furnished out of the royal stores, and had " been made, with much care, at the expence of his " father, in a course of many years. Provisions they " must bring from a great distance, and subject to all " the hazards of the sea; while he, besides his reve-" nue from the mines, had laid up a store, both of money and provisions, sufficient for the consump-"tion of ten years. Every advantage, in point of " preparation, that depended on the kindness of the " gods, or the care of their fovereign, the Macedo-" nians possessed in plenty and abundance: it would, " therefore, become them to shew the same spirit " which animated their forefathers; who, after subduing all Europe, passed over into Asia, and opened " by their arms a new world unknown even by re-" port, and never ceased to conquer until they were " stopped by the Red Sea, and nothing remained " for them to subdue. But the contest, to which Fortune now called them, was not about the re-

"motest coasts of India, but, in truth, about the possession of Macedonia itself. When the Ro-

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mans made war on his father, they held out the fectious pretence of liberating Greece; now, they avowedly aimed at reducing Macedonia to flavery, v.R. 581.

that there might be no king in the neighbourhood of the Roman empire, and that no nation, renowned in war, should have the possession of arms; for these must be delivered up to their imperious masters, together with the king and kingdom, if they chose to decline a war, and submit to obey their orders."

LIII. DURING the whole course of his speech, he was frequently interrupted by the exclamations of the multitude; but, on his uttering the last expresfion, their vociferations became fo loud, expressing indignation and menaces against the foe, and urging him to act with spirit, that he put an end to his discourse. He only ordered them to be ready to march; because it was reported that the Romans were quitting their camp at Nymphæum; and then, dismissing the affembly, he went to give audience to deputies from the several states of Macedonia. These had come with offers of money and corn, in proportion to the abilities of their respective states. He gave thanks to all, but declined their offers; telling them, that the royal stores were sufficient to answer every demand. He only defired them to provide carriages, for the conveyance of the engines, and the vast quantity of missile weapons that was prepared, with other military implements. He then put his army in motion, directing his route to Eordea; and, after encamping at the lake Begorrites, advanced, next day, into Elimea, to the river Haliacmon. Then, passing the mountains, through a narrow defile, called Cambunii, he marched down against the inhabitants of the district called Tripolis, consisting of Azoras, Pythios, and Doliche. These three towns hesitated, for a little time, because they had given hostages to the Larissæans; but, at length, the view of immediate

mediate danger prevailed on them to capitulate. He received them with expressions of savour, not doubtY.R. 581. ing that the Perrhæbians would be induced to follow their example; and accordingly, on his first arrival, he got possession of their city, without any reluctance being shewn on the part of the inhabitants. He was obliged to use force against Cyretiæ, and was even repulsed, the first day, by bodies of armed men, who desended the gates with great bravery; but, on the day following, having assaulted the place, with all his forces, he brought them all to a surrender, before night.

LIV. Myla, the next town, was so strongly fortified, that the inhabitants, from the hope of their works being impregnable, had conceived too great a degree of confidence: not content with shutting their gates against the king, they affailed him with opprobrious sarcasms, on himself, and on the Macedonians; which behaviour, while it provoked the enemy to attack them, with greater rancour, kindled a greater ardour in themselves to make a vigorous desence, as they had now no hopes of pardon. During three days, therefore, the greatest spirit was displayed on both sides, in the affault, and in the defence. great number of the Macedonians made it easy for them to relieve each other, and to support the fight by turns; but, on the part of the townimen, as the same persons were employed night and day in defending the walls, they were quite exhaulted, not only by wounds, but by watching, and incessant labour. On the fourth day, the scaling-ladders being raised to the walls, on all sides, and one of the gates being attacked with unusual force, the townsmen, who were beaten off the walls, ran together to secure the gate, and made a sudden fally on the enemy. the effect rather of inconsiderate rage, than of a wellgrounded confidence in their strength; and the consequence was, that, being few in number, and worn down

down with fatigue, they were routed by men who BOOK were fresh; and, having turned their backs, and fled XLII. through the open gate, they gave entrance to the Y.R. 581. enemy. The town, thus taken, was plundered, and B. C. 178. even the persons of free condition, who survived the carnage, were fold. The king, after difmantling the city, and reducing it to ashes, removed, and encamped at Phalanna; and, next day, arrived at Gyrton; but, understanding that Titus Minucius Rusus, and Hippias, prætor of the Thessalians, had gone into the town with a body of troops, without even attempting a fiege, he passed by, and received the submission of Elatia and Gonni, whose inhabitants were dismayed by his unexpected arrival. Both these towns, particularly Gonni, stand at the entrance of the pass which leads to Tempe; he therefore left the latter under a stronger guard of horse and foot, and strengthened it, besides, with a triple trench and rampart. vancing to Sycurium, he determined to wait there . the approach of the enemy; at the fame time, he ordered his troops to collect corn from all parts of the country that owned the enemy's authority: for Sycurium stands at the foot of mount Ossa, the southern fide of which overlooks the plains of Thessaly, and the opposite side Macedonia and Magnesia; and, befides these advantages of situation, the place enjoys a most healthful air, and abundance of water, from numerous and constant springs in every quarter.

LV. About the same time, the Roman consul, marching with his army towards Thessay, at first, found the roads through Epirus clear and open; but, afterwards, when he proceeded into Athamania, where the country is so rough as to be almost impassable, he encountered such difficulties, that he was obliged to make very short marches, and endure much satigue, before he could reach Gomphi. If, while he was leading his raw troops, through such a tract of country, and while both his men and horses were debilitated

BOOK bilitated by constant toil, the king had opposed him XLII., with his army, in proper order, at an advantageous Y.R. 581. place and time, the Romans themselves do not deny, B.C. 171. that the battle must have been attended with very great loss on their side. When they arrived at Gomphi, without opposition, as they felt much joy at

having effected their passage through such a dangerous road, so they conceived great contempt of the enemy, who shewed such utter ignorance of their own advantages. The conful, after duly offering facrifice, and distributing corn to the troops, halted a few days, to give rest to the men and horses; and then, hearing that the Macedonians were over-running Thessaly, and wasting the country of the allies, as his troops were, by this time, sufficiently refreshed, he marched on to Larissa. Proceeding thence, when he came within about three miles of Tripolis, called Scea, he encamped on the river Peneus. In the mean time, Eumenes arrived by sea at Chalcis, accompanied by his brothers Attalus and Athenæus. having left his other brother Philetærus at Pergamus, to manage the business of his kingdom. thence, with Attalus and four thousand foot and one thousand horse, he came and joined the conful. He left, at Chalcis, two thousand foot, under the command of Athenæus. At the same place, the Romans were joined by parties of auxiliaries, from every one of the states of Greece; but the greater part of them so small, that their numbers The Apollonihave not been transmitted to us. ans fent three hundred horse and one hundred foot. Of the Ætolians came a number equal to one cohort, being the whole cavalry of the nation; and the whole body of the Thessalian cavalry acted separately. The Romans had not in their camp above three hundred cavalry of their own. The Achæans furnished one thousand of their young men, armed mostly in the Cretan manner.

LVI. In the mean time, Caius Lucretius, the BOOK prætor, who commanded the fleet at Cephallenia, ordered his brother Marcus Lucretius to conduct the Y.R. 581. fleet along the coast of Malea to Chalcis; and going, B.C. 171. himself, on board a trireme, he sailed to the Corinthian gulf, that he might, as early as possible, put the áffairs of Bœotia on a proper footing; but the voyage proved more tedious than he expected, by reason of the weak state of his health. Marcus Lucretius. on his arrival at Chalcis, hearing that Haliartus was besieged by Publius Lentulus, sent a messenger to him, with an order, in the prætor's name, to retire from the place: accordingly, the lieutenant-general, who had undertaken this enterprise, with Bœotian troops, raifed out of the party that fided with the Romans, retired from the town. But the raising of this siege, only made room for a new one, by other troops. For Marcus Lucretius immediately invested Haliartus with the troops on board the fleet, amounting to ten thousand effective men, who were joined by the two thousand of the king's troops under Athenæus; and just when they were preparing for an asfault, the prætor came up from Creusa. At the same time, several ships, sent by the allies, arrived at Chalcis; two Carthaginian quinqueremes, two triremes from Heraclea in Pontus, four from Chalcedon, a like number from Samos, and also five quinqueremes from Rhodes. The prætor, having no enemy to oppose at sea, excused the allies from this service. Quintus Marcius also came, with his squadron, to Chalcis, having taken Alope, and laid siege to Larissa, called likewise Cremaste. While the affairs of Bœotia were in this state, Perseus, who, as has been mentioned, lay encamped at Sycurium, after drawing in the corn from all parts of the country adjacent, sent a detachment to ravage the lands of the Pheræans; hoping that the Romans might be drawn away from their camp to fuccour the cities of their allies, and then be caught at a disadvantage. But, seeing

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B O O K that his depredations did not induce them to stir, he XLII. distributed all the booty, except the prisoners, con-Y. R. 581. sisting mostly of cattle of all kinds, among the sol-B. C. 1711 diers, that they might feast themselves with plenty.

BOTH the conful and the king held councils, nearly at the same time, to determine in what manner they should begin their operations. king assumed fresh considence, from the enemy having allowed him, without interruption, to ravage the country of the Pheræans; and, in consequence, refolved to advance directly to their camp, and not to fuffer them to lie longer inactive. On the other side, the Romans were convinced that their inactivity had created a mean opinion of them, in the minds of their allies, who were exceedingly offended at their having neglected to succour the Phermans. While they were deliberating how they should act, Eumenes and Attalus, being present in the council, a messenger, in a violent hurry, acquainted them, that the enemy were approaching in a great body. On this the council was dismissed, and an order to take arms instantly issued; and it was resolved, that, in the mean time, a party of the king's troops, confisting of one hundred horse, and an equal number of javelin-bearers on foot, should go out to observe the enemy. Perseus, about the fourth hour of the day, being nearly one thoufand paces from the Roman camp, ordered the body of his infantry to halt, and advanced himself in front, with the cavalry and light infantry, accompanied by Cotys and the other generals of the auxiliaries. They were less than five hundred paces from the camp, when they descried the enemy's horse, which confifted of two cohorts, mostly Gauls, commanded by Cassignatus, and were attended by about one hundred and fifty light infantry, who were Mysians and Cre-The king halted, as he knew not the force of the enemy. He then fent forward, from his party, two troops of Thracians, and two of Macedonians, with two cohorts of Cretans and Thracians. The BOOK fight, as the parties were equal in number, and no reinforcements were sent upon either side, ended Y.R. 581. without any decided advantage. About thirty of B. C. 171. Eumenes's men were killed, among whom fell Caffignatus, general of the Gauls. Perseus then led back his forces to Sycurium, and, the next day, about the fame hour, brought up his army to the same ground, being followed by a number of waggons carrying water; for, in a length of twelve miles of the road, no water could be had, and the men were greatly incommoded by the dust: he also considered that, if. on first sight of the enemy, an engagement should take place, they would be greatly diffressed in the fight, by thirst. The Romans remained quiet, and even called in the advanced guards within the rampart; on which the king's troops returned to their camp. In this manner they acted for several days, still hoping that the Roman cavalry might attack their rear, on their retreat, which would bring on a battle; and when they had once enticed the Romans to a good distance from their camp, being superior in both cavalry and light infantry, they could eafily, in any spot, face about upon them.

LVIII. FINDING that this scheme did not succeed, the king removed his camp nearer to the enemy, and entrenched himself, at the distance of sive miles from them. At the first dawn of the next day, having drawn up his line of infantry on the same ground as before, he led up the whole cavalry, and light infantry, to the camp of the enemy. The sight of the dust rising in greater abundance, and nearer than usual, caused a great alarm in the Romancamp, and for some time little credit was given to the intelligence that was brought; because, during all the preceding days, the enemy had never appeared before the sourth hour, and it was now only sunrise. But the shouts set up by great numbers, and the men running off

BOOK from the gates, foon removed all doubt of the matter,

, and great confusion ensued. The tribunes, præsecu, Y.R. 581. and centurions, hastened to the general's quarters, B.C. 171. and the foldiers to their feveral tents. formed his troops, within less than five hundred paces of the rampart, round a hill, called Callicinus. King Cotys, at the head of all his countrymen, had the command of the left wing, the light infantry being intermixed between the ranks of the cavalry. On the right wing, were the Macedonian horse, with whose troops the Cretans were intermixed. Milo, of Berœa, had the command of these last; Meno, of Antigone, that of the cavalry, and the chief command of the whole division. Next to the wings, were posted the royal horsemen, and a mixed kind of troops, selected out of the auxiliary corps of many nations; the commanders here were Patrocles, of Antigone, and Didas, the governor of Pæonia. In the centre of all, was the king; and on each fide of him the band, called Agema, and the consecrated squadrons of horse; he placed in his front the slingers and javelin bearers, each body amounting to four The command of these he gave to Ion of Thessalonice, and Timanor a Dolopian. was the disposition of the king's forces. other side, the consul, drawing up his infantry in a line, within the trenches, sent out likewise all his cavalry and light infantry, which were marshalled on the outside of the rampart. The command of the right wing, which confifted of all the Italian cavalry, with light infantry intermixed, was given to Caius Licinius Crassus, the conful's brother. On the left wing, Marcus Valerius Lævinus commanded the cavalry of the allies, fent by the states of Greece, and the light infantry of the fame nation; and the centre, under Quintus Mucius, was composed of a chosen body of select horsemen, of the allies. In the front of this body, were placed two hundred Gallic horfemen; and of the auxiliaries of Eumenes, three hundred

dred Cyrtians. Four hundred Thessalian horse were BOOK posted at a little distance, beyond the left wing. King Eumenes and Attalus, with their whole division, Y.R. 581. stood on the rear, between the rear rank and the B.C. 171. rampart.

LIX. FORMED in this manner, and nearly equal in numbers of cavalry and light infantry, the two parties encountered; the fight being begun by the flingers and javelin bearers, who preceded the lines. First of all, the Thracians, just like wild beasts which had been long pent up in confinement, rushing on, with a hideous yell, fell upon the Italian cavalry in the right wing, with fuch fury, that even those men, who were fortified against fear, both by experience in war and by their natural courage, were thrown into disorder. The footmen struck their spears with their fwords; fometimes cut the hams of their horses, and fometimes stabbed them in the flanks. Perseus, making a charge on the centre, at the first onset, routed the Greeks; and now, the Thessalian cavalry. who had been posted in reserve, at a little distance from the left wing, and, from their situation, had not been engaged, but had hitherto been mere spectators of the fight, when affairs took this unfortunate turn, were of the utmost service to the Greeks, whose rear was hard pressed by the enemy. For, retreating leifurely, and preferving their ranks until they joined the auxiliary troops under Eumenes, in concert with him, they afforded a safe retreat between their ranks to their confederates, who fled in disorder; and, as the enemy did not pursue, in close bodies, they even had the courage to advance, and, by that means, faved many of the flying foldiers who made towards them. Nor did the king's troops, who, in the ardour of the pursuit, had disordered themselves, dare to encounter men regularly formed, and marching with a steady pace. At this moment, when the king, after his success in the fight of the cavalry, might, by purluing VOL. VI.

BOOK pursuing his advantage, with a small degree of vigorous perseverance, have put an end to the war, the Y.R. 581. phalanx came up seasonably while he was encourag-B. C. 171. ing his troops; for Hippias and Leonatus, as foon as they heard of the victory gained by the horse, without waiting for orders, advanced with all haste, that they might be at hand to second any spirited design. While the king, struck with the great importance of the attempt, hesitated between hope and fear, Evander, the Cretan, who had been employed by him to waylay king Eumenes at Delphi, when he faw that body somewhat embarrassed as they advanced round their standards, ran to him, and warmly recommended to him, " not to suffer himself to be so far elated " by fuccess, as rashly to risk his all on a precarious " chance, when there was no necessity for it. " would content himself with the advantage already " obtained, and proceed no farther that day, he would " have it in his power to make an honourable peace; " or, if he chose to continue the war, he would be " joined by abundance of allies, who would readily " follow fortune." The king's own judgment rather inclined to this plan; wherefore, after commending Evander, he ordered the infantry to march back, and return to their camp, and gave the fignal of retreat to the cavalry. On the fide of the Romans there were flain that day two hundred horsemen, and not less than two thousand footmen; about two hundred horsemen were made prisoners; but of the king's troops only twenty horsemen and forty footmen were killed.

LX. When the victors returned to their camp, all were full of joy, but the Thracians particularly distinguished themselves by the intemperance of their transports; for, on their way back, they chaunted songs, and carried the heads of the enemy fixed on spears. Among the Romans there was not only grief for their missortune, but the dread of an immediate

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diate attack of the enemy on their camp. Eumenes Book advised the consul to remove the camp to the other XLII. side of the Peneus, that he might have the river as a Y.R. 581. defence, until the difmayed troops should recover B. C. 171. their spirits. The consul was deeply struck with the shame of such an acknowledgment of fear; yet he yielded to reason, and, leading over his troops, in the dead of the night, fortified a camp on the farther bank. Next day, the king advanced with intent to provoke the enemy to battle; and, on feeing their camp pitched in safety on the other side of the river, admitted that he had been guilty of error, in not pushing the victory the day before, and of a still greater fault, in lying idle during the night; for, even without calling forth any other of his men, he might, by an attack with his light infantry, in a great measure, have destroyed the army of the enemy, during their confusion in the passage of the river. The Romans were delivered, indeed, from any fear of immediate danger, as they had their camp in a place of fafety; but, among many other afflicting circumstances, their loss of reputation affected them most deeply; and, in a council held in presence of the consul, every one concurred in throwing the blame on the Ætolians, and infifled that the panic and flight took place, first, among them; and that then the other allied troops of the Grecian states followed the example of cowardice set by the Ætolians. It was afferted, that five chiefs of the Ætolians were the first persons seen turning their backs.

LXI. THE Thessalians were publicly commended in a general affembly, and their commanders even received presents for their good behaviour. spoils of the enemies, who fell in the engagement, were brought to the king, out of which he made prefents, to some of remarkable armour, to others, of horses, and to others he gave prisoners. There were above one thousand five hundred shields; the

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BOOK coats of mail and breast-plates amounted to more XLII., than one thousand, and the number of helmets, Y.R. 581. Iwords, and missile weapons of all forts, was much B. C. 171. greater. These spoils, ample in themselves, were much magnified in a speech which the king made to an affembly of the troops: he said, "you have anticipated the issue of the war. You have routed " the best part of the enemy's force, the Roman ca-"valry, which they used to boast of as invincible. " For, with them, the cavalry is the flower of their " youth; the cavalry is the feminary of their fenate; " out of them, they choose the members of that " body, who, afterwards, are made their confuls; " out of them they elect their commanders. " spoils of these we have just now divided among wou. Nor have you a less evident victory over "their legions of infantry, who, stealing away from " you, by flight, in the night, filled the river with " all the disorderly confusion of people shipwrecked, " fwimming here and there. But it will be easier " for us to pass the Peneus in pursuit of the van-" quished, than it was for them in the hurry of their " fears; and, immediately on our passing, we will " affault their camp, which we should have taken " this morning, if they had not run away. " should choose to meet us in the field, be assured, " that the event of a battle with the infantry will be " fimilar to that of yesterday's dispute with the ca-" valry." By this difcourse, those troops, on the one hand, who had gained the victory, while they bore on their shoulders the spoils of the enemies whom they had killed, were highly animated at hearing their own exploits, and, from what had passed, conceived fanguine hopes of the future; while, on the other hand, the infantry, especially those of the Macedonian phalanx, were inflamed with emulation of the glory acquired by the others, and wished impatiently for an opportunity, to shew their zeal in the king's fervice, and acquire equal glory from the

the defeat of the enemy. The king then dismissed BOOK the assembly; and, next day, marching thence, pitched his camp at Mopsius, a hill situate half way Y.R. 581. between Tempe and Larissa.

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LXII. THE Romans, without quitting the bank of the Peneus, removed their camp to a place of greater safety, where they were joined by Misagenes, the Numidian, with one thousand horse, and a like number of foot, besides twenty-two elephants, king foon after held a council, on the general plan to be purfued; and, as the prefumption inspired by the late fuccess had, by this time, subsided, some of his friends ventured to advise him to employ his good fortune, as the means of obtaining an honourable peace, rather than to let himself be so far transported with vain hopes, as to expose himself to the hazard of: an irretrievable misfortune. They observed, that " to use moderation in prosperity, and not to con-: " fide too much in the calm of present circumstances, " was the part of a man of prudence, who deserved " fuccess; and they recommended it to him to fend " to the conful, to renew the treaty, on the same " terms, on which a peace had been granted to his " father, by Titus Quintius, his conqueror; for the " war could never be terminated in a more glorious " manner, than by fuch a memorable battle, nor " could any conjuncture afford firmer hopes of a last-" ing peace, as the Romans, dispirited by their de-" feat, would be more reasonable in a negotiation. " But, should the Romans, with their native obsti-" nacy, refuse to accede to reasonable terms, then " gods and men would bear witness both to the " moderation of Perseus, and to the stubborn pride " of the others." The king's inclination was never averse from such measures, and the majority, therefore, approved of the advice. The ambalfadors fent to the conful had audience in a full council, summoned for the purpose. They requested, that " a

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BOOK " peace might be concluded; promising, that Per-" feus should pay the Romans the same tribute which Y.R. 581. " was engaged for by Philip, and should evacuate the B. C. 171. " fame cities, lands, and places, which Philip had " evacuated." Such were the proposals of the am-When they withdrew, and the council took them under confideration, the Roman firmness prevailed in their determination. The practice of that time was, to assume in adversity the countenance of prosperity, and, in prosperity, to moderate the temper. They resolved to give this answer: "that " peace should be granted on this only condition; sthat the king should refer himself entirely to the " fenate, who were to make fuch terms as they " thought proper, and to determine concerning him, " and concerning all Macedonia." . When the arnbassadors brought back this answer, such as were unacquainted with their usual mode of acting, were astonished at the obstinate perseverance of the Romans, and most people advised the king to make no farther mention of peace, for "the enemy would foon come to " folicit that, which they now disdained when offered." But this haughtiness, as flowing from confidence in their own strength, created no small fears in the breast of Perseus, who continued his endeavours to prevail on the conful, offering a larger fum of money, if a peace might be purchased. The consul adhered inslexibly to his first answer; and the king, at length despairing of peace, and determined to try again the fortune of war, marched back to Sycurium.

> LXIII. When the news of this battle of the cavalry spread through Greece, it produced a discovery of the wishes of the people. For, not only those, who professed an attachment to the Macedonians, but the generality, who were bound to the Romans, under the weightiest obligations, and some who had felt the power and haughty behaviour of the Macedonians, all received the account with joy; and that, for no other

other cause, than, out of an unaccountable passion, BOOK which actuates the vulgar, even in contests of sports, of favouring the worfe and weaker party. Mean- Y,R. 581. while, in Bœotia, the prætor Lucretius pushed the B.C. 171. fiege of Haliartus with all imaginable vigour; and the befieged, though destitute of foreign aid, expecting fome young Corinæans, who had come into the town at the beginning of the fiege, and without hope of relief, yet, by themselves, maintained the desence with courage, beyond their strength. For they made frequent irruptions against the works; when the ram was applied, they crushed it to the ground by dropping on it a mass of lead; and, whenever those who directed the blows, changed their position, they set all hands to work, and, collecting stones out of the rubbish itself, quickly erected a new wall, in the room of that which had been demolished. The prætor, finding that he made but little progress, by means of his works, ordered fealing-ladders to be distributed among the companies, refolving to make a general affault on the walls, and he thought the number of his men sufficient, for this reason, that, on one side of the city, which is bounded by a morass, it would neither be useful nor practicable to form an attack. He himself led two thousand chosen men to a place where two towers, and the wall between them, had been thrown down; hoping that, while he endeavoured to climb over the ruins, and the townsmen crowded thither to oppose him, some part or other of the walls might be left defenceless, and open to be mastered by scalade. The besieged were not remis in preparing to repel his affault; for, on the ground, overspread with the rubbish, they placed faggots of dry bushes, and, standding with burning torches in their hands, often threatened to fet them on fire, that, being covered from the enemy, by the flames, they might have time to fence themselves with a wall on the inside. But accident rendered this plan abortive; for there fell suddenly such a quantity of rain, as hindered the faggots from taking

BOOK fire, and extinguished those that had been kindled; , so that it was not difficult to clear a passage, by draw-Y.R. 581. ing aside the smoking faggots; thus, while all the B. C. 171. belieged were attending to the defence of one spot, the walls were mounted by scalade in many places at once. In the first tumult of storming the town, the old men and children, whom change threw in the way, were put to the fword indifcriminately, and the men who carried arms fled into the citadel. day, these, having no remaining hope, surrendered, and were fold by public auction. Their number was about two thousand five hundred. The ornaments of the city, the statues, and pictures, and all the valuable booty were carried off to the ships, and the city was rased to the ground. The prætor, then, led his army to Thebes, which fell into his hands without a dispute; when he gave the city in possession to the exiles, and the party that fided with the Romans, and fold, as flaves, the families of those who were of the opposite faction, and favoured the king and As foon as he had finished this the Macedonians.

> LXIV. While these transactions were going on in Bœotia, Perseus lay a considerable time encamped at Sycurium. Having learned there, that the Romans were builty employed in cutting and collecting corn, from all the adjacent grounds, and that when it was brought in, they cut off the ears with fickles, each before his own tent, in order that the grain might be the cleaper when threshed, and had, by this means, formed large heaps of straw in all quarters of the camp, he conceived that he might fucceed in an attempt to fet it on fire. Accordingly, he ordered torches, faggots, and bundles of tow, dipped in pitch, to be got ready; and, thus prepared, he began his march at midnight, that he might make the attack at the first dawn, before he should be discovered. But

> business in Bœotia, he marched back to the sea-coast

to his fleet.

But his stratagem was frustrated: the uproas and BOOK fright among the advanced guards, who were fur- XLII. prised, alarmed the rest of the troops; orders were Y.R. 181. given to take arms, with all speed, and the soldiers B.C. 171. were instantly drawn up on the rampart and at the gates, in readiness to desend the camp. Perseus immediately ordered his army to face about; the baggage to go foremost, and the battalions of foot to follow, while he himself, with the cavalry and light infantry, kept behind, in order to cover the rear; for he expected, what indeed happened, that the enemy would purfue, and harafs the hindmost of his troops. There was a short scuffle between the light infantry, mostly in skirmishing parties. The infantry and cawalry returned to their camp, without any diffurbance. After reaping all the corn in that quarter, the Romans removed their camp into the territory of Cranno, which was yet untouched. While they lay there, without any apprehension of danger, from which they thought themselves secured by the distance between the camps, and by the difficulty of the march, through a country deftitute of water, as was that between Sycurium and Cranno, the king's cavalry and light infantry appeared suddenly, at the dawn of day, on the nearest hills, and caused a violent alarm. They had marched from Sycurium at noon, the day before, and, a little before day, had left their body of foot in the next plain. Perseus stood a short time on the hills, in expectation that the Romans might be sempted to come out, and fight a battle with their cavalry; but seeing that they did not move, he sent a horseman to order the infantry to return to Sycusium, and he himself soon followed. The Roman cavalry purfued at a small distance behind him, in expettation of being able to pick up any scattered parties that might separate from the rest; but, seeing them retreat in close order, and attentive to their standards and ranks, they defisted, and returned to their camp.

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LXV. THE king, difliking fuch long marches, removed his camp to Mopfium; and the Romans, Y. R. 581. having cut down all the corn about Cranno, marched B. C. 178. into the lands of Phalanna. Perseus, being informed, by a deserter, that they carried on their reaping there. without any armed guard, straggling at random through the fields, fet out with one thousand horsemen and two thousand Thracians and Cretans, and, haftening his march with all possible speed, fell on the Romans while quite unprepared. Nearly a thousand carts, with horses harnessed to them, most of them loaded, were feized, and about fix hundred men were taken. The charge of guarding this booty, and conducting it to the camp, he gave to a party of three hundred Cretans, and calling in the rest of his infantry, and the cavalry, who were spread about, killing the enemy, he led them against the nearest station, where any of their troops were posted, which he supposed might be overpowered without much difficulty. The commanding officer there was Lucius Pompeius, a military tribune; who, while his men were difmayed by the fudden approach of the enemy, led them off to a hill at a little distance. hoping to defend himself by means of the advantage of the ground, as he was inferior in number and There he collected his men in a circular strength. body, that, by closing their shields they might guard themselves from arrows and javelins; on which, Perseus, surrounding the hill with troops, ordered a party to strive to climb it on all fides, and come to close fighting, and the rest to throw missile weapons against them from a distance. The Romans were environed with dangers, in whatever manner they acted; for they could not fight in a body, on account of the enemy who endeavoured to mount the hill: and, if they broke their ranks, in order to skirmish with these, they were exposed to the arrows and javelins. What galled them most severely was, a newkind of weapon, invented in that war, and called-CestroCestrophendanon. A dart, two palms in length, BOOK was fixed to a shaft, half a cubit long, and of the thick- XLII. ness of a man's finger, round which, as is commonly Y.R. 58to done with arrows, three feathers were tied, to balance B. C.175. To throw this, they used a sling, which had two beds, unequal in fize, and in the length of the strings. When the weapon was balanced in these, and the flinger whirled it round by the longer string and discharged it, it flew with the rapid force of a leaden bullet. When one half of the foldiers had been wounded by these and other weapons of all kinds, and the rest were so satigued that they could hardly bear the weight of their arms, the king pressed them to furrender, affured them of fafety, and fometimes promised them rewards, but not one could be prevailed on to think of furrendering. Just at this juncture, when they had determined to hold out till death, they were unexpectedly cheered by the enlivening prospect of relief. For some of the foragers, having made their escape, and got back to the camp, acquainted the conful that the party was furrounded; whereupon, alarmed for the fafety of fuch a number of his countrymen, for they were near eight hundred, and all Romans, he fet out from the camp, with the cavalry and light infantry, joined by the newly-arrived Numidian auxiliaries, horse, foot, and elephants, and left orders with the military tribunes, that the battalions of the legions should follow. He himself, having strengthened the light-armed auxiliaries with his own light infantry, hastened forward at their head to the hill. He was accompanied by Eumenes, Attalus, and the Numidian prince Misagenes.

LXVI. THE first sight of the standards of their friends raised the distressed Romans from the lowest depth of despair, and inspired them with fresh spirits. Perseus's best plan would have been to have contented himself with his accidental good fortune, in having killed and taken so many of the foragers, and

BOOK not to have wasted time in besieging this detachment of the enemy; or, after he had engaged in the at-Y.R. 181. tempt, as he was sensible that he had not a proper 16. C. 171. force with him, to have gone off, while he might with fafety; instead of which, intoxicated with success, he waited for the arrival of the enemy, and sent people, in haste, to bring up the phalanx. But as it must have come too late for the exigency, and with rapid celerity, the men must have engaged, in all the disorder of a hurried march, against troops duly formed and prepared. The conful, arriving first, proceeded inftantly to action. The Macedonians, for fome time, made refistance; but finding themselves overmatched in every respect, and having lost three hundred foot, and twenty-four of the best of their horse, of what they call the facred cohort, among whom fell Antimachus, who commanded that body, they endeavoured to retreat: but their march was, in a manner, more diforderly and confused than the battle itself. As the phalanx, after receiving the hasty order, was marching at full speed, it met, first, in a narrow pass, the carts laden with corn, and the crowd of prisoners. These they put to the sword, and both parties suffered, by this encounter, abundance of trouble and perplexity; for none waited till the troops might pass in some fort of order, but the soldiers tumbled the loads down a precipice, which was the only possible way to clear the road, and the horses being goaded, pushed furiously through the crowd. Scarcely had they disentangled themselves from the diforderly throng of the prisoners, when they met the king's party and the discomsitted horsemen. now, the shouts of the men, calling to the others to go back, raised a scene of consternation and tumult. not unlike a total rout; infomuch, that if the enemy had ventured to enter the defile, and carry the purfuit a little farther, they might have done them very great damage. But the conful, when he had relieved his party from the hill, content with that moderate **fhare**

share of success, led back his troops to the camp. BOOK Some authors affirm, that a general engagement was fought that day, in which eight thousand of the Y.R. 58t. enemy were killed, among whom were Sopater and B. C. 178. Antipater, two of the king's generals, and about two thousand eight hundred taken, with twenty-seven military standards, and that the victory was not without loss, on the side of the Romans; for that above four thousand three hundred of the consul's men fell, and five standards of the left wing of the allies were loft.

LXVII. THE event of this day revived the spirits of the Romans, and greatly disheartened Perseus; infomuch, that, after staying at Mopsium a few days, which were employed chiefly in burying his dead, he left a very strong garrison at Gonnus, and led back his army into Macedonia. He left Timotheus, one of his generals, with a finall party at Phila, ordering him to endeavour to gain the affections of the Magnesians, and other neighbouring states. On his arrival at Pella, he sent his troops to their winter-quarters, and proceeded himself with Cotys to Thessalonica. There an account was received, that Atlesbis, a petty prince of Thrace, and Corragus, an officer belonging to Eumenes, had made an inroad into the dominions of Cotys, and seized on the district called Marene. Seeing, therefore, the necessity of letting Cotys go home to defend his own territories, he honoured him, at his departure, with very magnificent, presents, and paid to his cavalry two hundred talents*, which was but half a year's pay, though he had at first agreed to give them the pay of a whole year. The conful, hearing that Perfeus had quit the country, marched his army to Gonnus, in hopes of being able to take that town. It stands directly opposite to the pass of Tempe, and

BOOK close to the entrance of it; so that it serves as the XLII., fafest barrier to Macedonia, and renders a descent Y.R. 581. into Theffaly easy. But the city, from the nature of B. C. 171. its fituation, and the strength of the garrison, was impregnable; he therefore gave up the delign, and, turning his rout to Perrhæbia, took Mallæa at the first affault, and demolished it, and after reducing Tripolis, and the rest of Perrhæbia, returned to La-From that place he fent home Eumenes and Attalus, and quartered Misaganes and his Numidians, for the winter, in the nearest towns of Thesfaly. One half of his army he distributed through all Thessaly, in such a manner, that while all had commodious winter-quarters, they ferved, at the same time, as a defence to the cities. He sent Quintus Mucius, lieutenant-general, with two thousand men to fecure Ambracia, and dismissed all the allied troops, belonging to the Grecian states, except the With the other half of his army he marched into the Achæan Phthiotis; where, finding Pteleum deferted by the inhabitants, he levelled it to the ground. The inhabitants of Antron made a voluntary furrender, and he then marched against La-The city was deserted, the whole multitude taking refuge in the citadel, to which he laid fiege. First, the Macedonian garrison, belonging to the king, withdrew through fear; and, then, the townsmen, on being abandoned by them, furrendered immediately. He then hesitated whether he should first attack Demetrius, or take a view of affairs in Bœotia. The Thebans, being harassed by the Coronæans, pressed him to go into Bœotia; wherefore, in compliance with their entreaties, and because that country would afford better winter-quarters than Magnesia, he led his army thither.

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HISTORY OF ROME.

BOOK XLIII.

Several pretors punished for cruelty and avarice in the administration of their provinces. Publius Licinius Crassus, proconful, takes several cities in Greece, which he plunders, and treats the inhabitants with great cruelty; the captives, which he had sold as slaves, restored to their freedom by a decree of the senate. Successful operations of king Perseus in Thrace and Illyricum. Commotions excited in Spain by Olonicus; suppressed.

During that fummer, in which the Romans were worsted in Thessay, in one battle of the cavalry, and successful in another, the lieutenant-general, sent by the consul into Illyricum, having B.C. 1782. Reduced, by force of arms, two opulent cities, gave the inhabitants all their effects, in hopes, by the reputation of his elemency, to allure to submission the inhabitants of Carnus, a city strongly fortissed. But he could neither persuade them to surrender, nor hope to get the better of them by a siege. That the satigue, therefore, which his soldiers had undergone in the two sieges, might not be quite fruitless, he sacked those cities, which he had spared before. The other consul, Caius Cassius, performed nothing worth mention

BOOK mention in Gaul, the province that fell to his lot;

but made a foolish attempt to lead his army through Y.R. 381. Illyricum into Macedonia. His having undertaken B. C. 171. that march the senate learned from deputies of Aquileians, who came to represent, that their colony, which was new, weak, and but indifferently fortified, lay in the midst of hostile states, Istrians and Illyrians; and to beg the senate to take into consideration some method of fortifying it. These, being asked whether they wished that matter to be given in charge to the conful, Caius Cassius, replied, that Cassius, after affembling his forces at Aquileia, had fet out on a march through Illyricum into Macedonia. The fact was, at first, deemed incredible, and it was generally supposed that he had gone on an expedition against the Carnians, or, perhaps, the Istrians. The Aquilcians then faid, that all that they knew, or could take upon them to affirm, was, that the foldiers had been furnished with corn for thirty days, and guides, who knew the roads from Italy to Macedonia, had been fought for, and carried with him. The senate were highly displeased that the consul should presume to act fo improperly, as to leave his own province, and remove into that of another; leading his army through unknown and dangerous roads, through foreign nations, and opening, for so many nations, a passage into Italy. It was unanimously decreed, that the prætor, Caius Sulpicius, should nominate, out of the senate, three deputies, who should set out from the city that very day, make all possible hafte to overtake the conful, wherever he might be, and charge him not to undertake any war except that authorised by a vote of the fenate. The three deputies accordingly fet out; they were, Marcus Cornelius Cethegus, Marcus Fulvius, and Publius Marcius Rex. The fears entertained for the conful and his army caused the business of fortifying Aquileia to be postponed for that time.

II. THEN were introduced to the fenate ambaf- BOOK fadors from several states of both the Spains; who, XLIII. after complaining of the avarice and pride of the Y.R. 581. Roman magistrates, fell on their knees, and implored B. C. 171. the senate not to suffer them, who were their allies, to be more cruelly plundered and ill-treated than their enemies. Among other hardships, of which they complained, it was clearly proved, that considerable fums of money had been extorted from them. A charge was therefore given to Lucius Canuleius, the prætor to whom Spain was allotted, to appoint, out of the body of the senate, five judges delegate, to try each person against whom demands of money might be made by the Spaniards; and that they should give the latter power to choose such patrons as they thought proper. The ambassadors were then called into the house; the decree of the senate was read to them, and they were ordered to name their patrons; on which they named four: Marcus Porcius Cato, Publius Cornelius Scipio, son of Cneius, Lucius Æmilius Paullus, fon of Lucius, and Caius Sulpicius Gallus. Their first application to the judges was against Marcus Titinius, who had been prætor in hither Spain in the consulate of Aulus' Manlius and Marcus Junius. The cause was twice adjourned, and on the third hearing the accused was acquitted. A feparation took place between the ambassadors of the two provinces; and the states of hither Spain chose, for their patrons, Marcus Cato and Scipio; those of farther Spain, Lucius Paullus and Sulpicius Gallus. The states of the hither province brought to trial, before the judges, Publius Furius Philus; those of the farther, Marcus Matienus; the former of whom had been prætor, three years before, in the confulate of Spurius Postumius and Quintus Mucius; and the latter, two years before, when Lucius Postumius and Marcus Popillius were confuls. Both were accused of most heinous crimes, and the causes were adjourned; but, upon the re-hearing, it was represented on their behalf, that YOL. VI. thev

money.

BOOK they had quitted the country, and were gone into exile. Furius banished himself to Praneste; Matienus, Y. R. 581. to Tibur. There was a report, that the complainants B. C. 171. were not suffered, by their patrons, to bring charges against people of high birth and power; and a sufpicion of that fort was strengthened by the behaviour of the prætor Canuleius; for he neglected that bufiness, and applied himself to the enlisting of soldiers; and then, suddenly, he went off to his province, lest more accusations might be brought by the Spaniards. Although past transactions were thus configned to filence, yet the senate took some care of the interest of the Spaniards in future: they passed an order in their favour, that the Roman magistrates should not have the valuation of the corn; nor should they compel the Spaniards to compound for their twentieths, at such prices as they were pleased to impose; and that officers should not be placed in

> III. There came also, from Spain, an extraordinary embassy, from a body of men who had never before been heard of. They represented, that they were the offspring of Roman foldiers and Spanish women, who had not been joined in marriage; that their number amounted to more than four thousand; and they petitioned for a grant of some town to be allotted to them for their residence. The senate de-.creed, that "they should exhibit their pretentions " before Lucius Canuleius; and that as many as he " should judge deserving of their freedom, should " be settled as a colony at Carteia, on the ocean. "That such of the present inhabitants of Carteia as " wished to remain there, should have the privilege " of being confidered as colonists, and should have " lands affigned them; that this should be deemed " a Latine colony, and called a colony of freed " men." At this time arrived from Africa, Gulussa, son of king Masinissa, as ambassador from his father;

> command of their towns for the purpose of exacting

father; and likewise ambassadors from Carthage, BO,OR Guluffa was first introduced to the senate, where he XLIII. gave a detail of the fuccours fent by his father to the Y.R. 581. maintenance of the war in Macedonia, and affured B. C. 171. them, that if they chose to lay any farther commands on him, he would cheerfully execute them, in gratitude for the many favours conferred on him by the Roman people; and he warned the Confcript Fathers to be on their guard against the treachery of the Carthaginians, who "had formed the defign of " fitting out a powerful fleet, in favour, as they pre-" tended, of the Romans, and against the Macedo-" nians; but when it should be equipped, and ready " for action, they would have it in their power to " make their own option which party they would " treat as a friend, and which as a foe."

IV. During the following year, in which Aslus Y.R. 522. Hostilius Mancinus and Aulus Atilius Serranus were B. C. ite. confuls, the Celtiberians raised disturbances in Spain. being instigated by a strange kind of leader named Olonicus. He was a man of great cunning and boldness, and shewing bimself to the people, brandishing a silver fpear, which he pretended was sent to him from heaven, with the agitation of a person inspired, be bad attrasted universal attention. Having formed the mad defign of killing the Roman general, he came to the camp, with a fingle accomplice, in the dusk of the evening, and was killed by a centinel with a javelin. His accomplice suffered a like punishment for his foolish attempt. The pretor immediately ordered both their beads to be cut off and fixed on spears, and to be sent thus to their camp by some of the prisoners. When these came into the camp and shewed their heads, such a panic enfued, that if the enemy had instantly advanced to the camp, they might have taken it. As it was, a general flight took place, and many advised to send

BOOK ambassadors, and supplicate for peace; and a great

number of states, on hearing of the affair, made their These all afferted their own innocence, Y.R. 582. Submission. B. C. 170. and laid the whole blame on the madness of the two, who had voluntarily exposed themselves to punishment; on which, the prætor granted them pardon, and proceeded immediately to the other states, every one of which submitted to his authority; so that in traversing all that tract of country, where, a short time before, the flames of war had raged with the greatest violence, he had not once occasion to employ his arms, but found every thing in a state of peace and quietness. This lenity, shewn by the prætor, was the more pleasing to the senate and people, as the conduct of the conful Licinius, and the prætor Lucretius, in the war in Greece had been marked with uncommon avarice and cruelty. plebeian tribunes, daily, in their speeches to the people, censured Lucretius for being absent, though it was alleged in his favour, that he was abroad on the business of the public; but so little was then known of what passed, even in the neighbourhood, that he was, at that very time, at his own estate near Antium; and, with money amassed out of the spoils, was bringing water to Antium from the river Locrina: for the execution of which work, it is faid, he had agreed to pay one hundred and thirty thousand ases *. He also decorated the temple of Æsculapius with pictures taken from among the spoils. current of the public displeasure, and of disgrace, was diverted from Lucretius, and turned on his successor, Hortensius, by ambassadors who came from Abdera. These stood weeping at the door of the senate-house, and complained, that "their town had been stormed " and plundered by Hortensius. His only reason," they faid, " for destroying their city was, that, on " his demanding from them one hundred thousand

" denariuses*, and fifty thousand measures of wheat, BOOK a they had requested time until they could fend am-" bassadors on the subject, both to the consul Hosti- Y.R. 322. " lius, and to Rome; and they had scarcely reached B.C. 170. " the conful, when they heard that the town was " ftormed, their nobles beheaded, and the rest sold " for slaves." At this the senate expressed much indignation, and passed a decree respecting the people of Abdera, of the same purport with that which they had passed, the year before, concerning the Coronæans; and ordered Quintus Mænius, the prætor, to publish the same notice in a general assembly. Two ambassadors, Caius Sempronius Blæsus and Sextus Julius Cæsar, were sent to restore the Abderites to liberty; and were likewise commissioned to deliver a message from the senate to the consul Hostilius, and to the prætor Hortensius, that the senate judged the war made on the Abderites to be unjust, and had ordered, that all those, who were in servitude, should be fought out, and restored to liberty.

V. AT the same time, complaints were made to the senate, by ambassadors from Cincibilus, a king of the Gauls, against Caius Cassius, who had been conful the year before, and was then a military tribune in Macedonia, under Aulus Hostilius. brother made a speech to the senate, complaining, that Caius Cassius had entirely wasted the country of the Alpine Gauls, their allies, and carried off into flavery many thousands of their people. dors came likewise from the Carnians, Istrians, and Iapidians, who represented, that "the conful Cassius, " at first, after obliging them to furnish him with " guides to conduct his army, which he was leading " into Macedonia, had gone away in a peaceable " manner, as if to make war somewhere else; and " that, afterwards, when he had proceeded half way,

BOOK " he returned, and overrun their country, commit-**XLIII. " ting every act of hostility, and spreading depreda-" tions and fires through every quarter; nor had B. C. 170. " they been yet able to discover for what reason the " conful treated them as enemies." The absent prince of the Gauls, and the states present, were an-Iwered, that "the senate neither had any previous "knowledge that those acts, of which they com-" plained, would be done; nor, if they were so done, did they approve of them. But that it would be " unjust to condemn, unheard and absent, a man of " consular rank, especially as he was employed " abroad in the business of the public. That, when " Caius Cassius should come home from Macedo-" nia, if they chose, then, to prosecute their com-" plaints against him, face to face, the senate, after " examining the matter, would endeavour to give "them satisfaction." It was farther resolved, that ambassadors should be sent to those nations, two to the chieftain at the other fide of the Alps, and three to the other states, to notify to them the determinations of the senate. They voted, that presents, to the amount of two thousand ases *, should be sent to the ambassadors; and to the prince, and his brother, fome of extraordinary value: two chains, containing five pounds weight of gold; five filver vases, amounting to twenty pounds; two horses, fully caparisoned, with grooms to attend them, and horsemen's armour and cloaks, beside suits of apparel to their attendants, both freemen and slaves. These were prefented to them; and, on their request, they were indulged with the liberty of purchasing ten horses each, and carrying them out of Italy. Caius Lælius and Marcus Æmilius were fent ambassadors with the Gauls, to the other side of the Alps; and Caius Sicinius, Publius Cornelius Blasio, and Titus Mem-

mius, to the other states.

VI. EMBASSIES from many states of Greece and BOOK The first _XLIII. Asia arrived at Rome at the same time. who had audience of the senate were the Athenians, Y.R. 582. who represented, that "they had fent what ships and B. C. 176. foldiers they had to the conful, Publius Licinius, er and the prætor Caius Lucretius, who did not "think proper to make use of them, but ordered sthem to furnish one hundred thousand measures of corn; and, notwithstanding the sterility of the so foil, and that they fed the husbandmen themselves with imported grain, yet, that they might not so appear deficient in their duty, they had made up that quantity, and were ready to perform any other " fervice that might be required of them." The Milefians pretended not to any past service, but promifed readily to afford any affiftance in the war which the fenate should think proper to demand. The Alabandians represented, that they had erected a temple to the city of Rome, and instituted anniverfary games to her divinity; that they had brought a golden crown, of fifty pounds weight, to be depofited in the Capitol, as an offering to Jupiter supremely good and great; also three hundred horsemen's bucklers, which they were ready to deliver to any person appointed to receive them; and they requested permission to deposit the offering in the Capitol, and to perform facrifice. The same request was made by ambassadors from Lampsacus, who brought a crown, of eighty pounds weight, and represented to the senate, that "they had renounced the party of Perseus as soon as the Roman army " appeared in Macedonia, though they had been " under the dominion of Perseus, and formerly of 56 Philip. In return for which, and for their having contributed every affistance, in their power, to the "Roman commanders, they only requested to be " admitted into the friendship of the Roman people; " and that, if peace should be made with Perseus, " there might be a special clause in their favour, to " prevent their falling again into his power." The rest L 4 -

BOOK rest of the ambassadors received gracious answers, XLIII. and the prætor, Quintus Mænius, was ordered to Y.R. 582. enrol the people of Lampsacus as allies. B.C. 170. were made to all, two thousand ases to each. The Alabandians were defired to carry back the bucklers into Macedonia, to the conful Aulus Hostilius. fame time, came ambassadors from Africa; those of the Carthaginians acquainted the senate, that they had brought down to the fea-coast a million of meafures of wheat, and five hundred thousand of barley, " to be transported to whatever place the senate " should order. They were sensible," they said, st that this offer, and act of duty, were very inferior " to the deserts of the Roman people, and to their own inclinations; but that, on many other occa-" fions, when the affairs of both nations flourished, " they had performed the duties of faithful and " grateful allies." In like manner, ambassadors from Masinissa offered the same quantity of wheat, one thousand two hundred horsemen, and twelve elephants; and defired, that, if he could be of service in any other particular, the senate would lay their commands on him, which he would execute with as much zeal as the measures which he offered from himself. Thanks were returned both to the Carthaginians and to the king; and they were requested to send the supplies, which they promised, into Macedonia, to the consul Hostilius. A present of two thousand ases was made to each of the ambassadors.

VII, AMBASSADORS of the Cretans mentioned, that they had fent into Macedonia the number of archers demanded by the conful Publius Licinius; but, being interrogated, they did not deny, that a greater number of their archers were in the army of Perseus, than in that of the Romans: on which they received this answer; that, " if the Cretans were candidly and sincerely resolved to prefer the friendship of the Roman people to that of king "Perseus."

Perseus, the Roman senate, on their part, would BOOK " answer them as allies who could be relied on." In the mean time, they were defired to tell their coun- Y.R. 582. trymen, that "the senate required that the Cretans B. C. 170.

" should endeavour to call home, as soon as possi-" ble, all their foldiers who were in the service of " king Perseus." The Cretans being dismissed with this answer, the ambassadors from Chalcis were called, the chief of whom, by name Miction, having loft the use of his limbs, was carried in on a litter: so that their first appearance demonstrated that their business was a matter of extreme necessity; since, either a man, in that infirm state, had not thought proper to plead ill health to excuse himself from being employed, or the plea had not been admitted. After premiting, that no other part of him was now alive but his tongue, which ferved him to deplore the calamities of his country, he represented, first, the friendly affistance given by his state to the Roman commanders and armies, both on former occasions, and in the war with Perseus; and, then, the instances of pride, avarice, and cruelty, which his countrymen had suffered before from the Roman prætor, Caius Lucretius, and were at that very time suffering from Lucius Hortensius; notwithstanding which, they were resolved to endure all hardships, should they be even more grievous than they underwent at present, rather than give themselves up to Perseus. "With regard to Lucretius and Hortensius, they knew that it had been fafer for them to shut their gates against sthem, than to receive them into the city. "those cities which shut them out remained in safety, « as Emathea, Amphipolis, Maronea, and Ænus; " whereas, in their town, the temples were robbed of all their ornaments, and Caius Lucretius had carsi ried off in ships, to Antium, the plunder amassed w by fuch facrilege, and dragged persons of free condition into flavery; the property of the allies of the Roman people was subjected to rapine, and " fuffered

SOOK "fuffered daily depredations. For, pursuing the practice of Caius Lucretius, Hortensius kept the practice of Caius Lucretius, Hortensius kept the crews of his ships in lodgings both in summer and winter alike; so that their houses were filled with a crowd of seamen, and those men who shewed no regard to propriety, either in their words or actions, lived among the inhabitants, their wives, and children."

VIII. THE senate resolved to call Lucretius before them, that he might argue the matter in person, and exculpate himself. But when he appeared, he heard many more crimes alleged against him than had been mentioned in his absence; and two more weighty and powerful accusers stood forth in support of the charges, Marcus Juventius Thalna and Cneius Aufidius, plebeian tribunes. These not only arraigned him bitterly in the senate, but dragged him out into the affembly of the people; and there, reproaching him with many heinous crimes, they instituted a legal prosecution against him. of the senate, the prætor, Quintus Mænius, gave this answer to the ambassadors of Chalcis: that "the " fenate acknowledged their account of the good " offices done by them to the Roman people, both " on former occasions and during the present war, " to be true; and that they retained a proper sense " of their friendly conduct: that, as to the ill-" treatment, which they complained of having re-" ceived, formerly, from Caius Lucretius, and, now, " from Lucius Hortensius, Roman prætors, it could " not possibly be supposed that such things were done " with the approbation of the senate, if it were con-" fidered that the Roman people had made war on " Perseus, and, before that, on his father Philip, for "the express purpose of afferting the liberties of " Greece, and not of subjecting friends and allies to " fuch treatment from their magistrates: that they " would give them a letter to the prætor, Lucius " Horten-

" Hortenlius, informing him, that the proceedings, B'O O K " of which the people of Chalcis complained, were XLIII. highly displeasing to the senate; charging him to Y.R. 582. " take care that all free persons, who had been re-B. C. 170. "duced to flavery, should be fought out as soon as " possible, and restored to liberty; and commanding "that no seamen, except the masters of vessels, " should be permitted to lodge on shore." Purfuant to the senate's order, a letter, to this purport, was written to Hortensius. A present of two thoufand afes was made to each of the ambaffadors, and carriages were hired for Miction, at the public expence, to carry him commodiously to Brundusium. When the day of Caius Lucretius's trial came, the tribunes pleaded against him before the people, and demanded that he should be fined in the sum of one million of ases*; and the tribes proceeding to vote, every one of the thirty-five pronounced him guilty, and confirmed the fine.

IX. In Liguria, nothing of moment occurred in that year; for the enemy made no hostile attempt, nor did the consul march his legions into their country; on the contrary, seeing a certain prospect of peace, for the year, he discharged the soldiers of the two Roman legions within fixty days after his arrival in the province, fent the troops of the Latine confederates early into winter-quarters at Luna and Pise, and himself, with the cavalry, visited most of the towns in the Gallic province. Although there was no open war any where but in Macedonia, yet there was reason to suspect the designs of Gentius, The senate, therefore, voted, that king of Illyria. eight ships, fully equipped, should be sent from Brundusium to Issa, to Caius Furius, lieutenantgeneral, who, with only two ships belonging to the inhabitants, held the government of that island.

BOOK these ships were embarked four thousand soldiers, whom the prætor, Quintus Mænius, in pursuance of Y.R. 582. a decree of the senate, had raised in the quarter of B.C. 170. Italy opposite Illyria; and the consul, Hostilius, sent Appius Claudius, with four thousand foot, into Illyria, to protect the neighbouring states. But Appius Claudius, not content with the force which he brought with him, collected aid from the allies, until he made up the number of eight thousand men of different sorts; and, after over-running all that country, took post at Lychnidus in the territory of the Dassaretians.

X. Not far from hence was Uscana, a town generally deemed part of the dominions of Perseus. It contained ten thousand inhabitants, and a small party of Cretans, who served as a garrison. From this place messengers came, secretly, to Claudius, telling him, that, "if he brought his army nearer, there " would be people ready to put the town into his " hands; and that it would be well worth his while; " for he would find booty fufficient to fatisfy the " utmost wishes, not only of his friends, but of his " foldiers." Such alluring hopes blinded his understanding to that degree, that he neither detained any of those who came, nor required hostages for his security, in a business which was to be transacted clandestinely and treacherously; neither did he send fcouts to examine matters, nor require an oath from the messengers; but, on the day appointed, he left Lychnidus, and pitched his camp twelve miles from the city, which was the object of his design. the fourth watch he fet out thence, leaving about one thousand men to guard the camp, and his men, extending themselves in a long irregular train, and in loofe diforder, were separated, by mistaking their way in the night, and arrived in this state at the city. Their carelessness increased when they saw not a soldier on the walls, But, as foon as they approached within

within a weapon's cast, a fally was made from two BOOK gates at once, and besides the shout of the troops XLIII. fallying out, a tremendous noise was raised on the Y.R.582. walls, composed of the yells of women and the found B. C. 170. of brazen instruments, while the rabble of the place, mixed with a multitude of flaves, made the air re-Struck by fuch a number found with various cries. of terrifying circumstances, the Romans were unable to support the first onset; so that more of them were killed flying than fighting, and scarcely two thoufand, with the lieutenant-general himself, effected their escape into the camp. The greater the distance was from the camp, the greater were the numbers which funk under fatigue, and were overtaken by the enemy. Appius, without even halting in the camp to collect his stragglers, which would have been the means of faving many, who were scattered through the country, led back, directly, to Lychnidus, the remains of his unfortunate army.

XI. THESE, and other unfavourable occurrences in Macedonia, were learned from Sextus Digitius, a military tribune, who came to Rome to perform a facrifice. These advices having rendered the senate apprehensive of some greater disgrace ensuing, they deputed Marcus Fulvius Flaccus and Marcus Caninius Rebilus to go to Macedonia, and bring certain information of all transactions there; and ordered, that the conful, Aulus Hostilius, should summon the asfembly for the election of confuls, so as that it might be held in the month of January, and should, come home to the city as foon as possible. In the mean time, it was refolved, that the prætor, Marcus Recius, should call home to Rome, by proclamation, all the senators, from every part of Italy, except such as were absent on public business; and that such as were in Rome, should not go farther than one mile from the city. All this was done pursuant to the votes of the fenate. The election of confuls was

BOOK held on the fourth day before the calends of February. The persons chosen were, Quintus Mar-Y.R. 582. cius Philippus, a second time, and Cneius Servilius B. C. 170. Cæpio. Three days after, were appointed prætors, Caius Decimius, Marcus Claudius Marcellus, Caius Sulpicius Gallus, Caius Marcius Figulus, Servius Cornelius Lentulus, and Publius Fonteius Capito. To the prætors elect were assigned, besides the two city provinces, these four; Spain, Sardinia, Sicily, and the fleet. Towards the end of February the deputies returned from Macedonia, and gave an account of the successful enterprises of Perseus during the preceding summer, and of the great fears which had taken possession of the allies of the Roman people, on account of fo many cities being reduced under the king's power. They reported, that "the conful's troops were very thin, in consequence of " leave of absence being granted to great numbers, " with the view of gaining the good-will of the " men; the blame of which the conful laid upon the " military tribunes, and they, on the other hand, on " the conful. The difgrace fultained through the " rashness of Claudius," they represented as "not " fo considerable as was supposed; because, of the er men, who were loft, very few were natives of " Italy, the greatest part being the foldiers raised in that country by an irregular levy." The confuls elect received orders, immediately on their entering into office, to propose the affairs of Macedonia to the consideration of the senate; and Italy and Macedonia were appointed their provinces. An intercalation was made in the calendar of this year, intercalary calends being reckoned on the third day after the feast of Terminus. There died, of the priefts, during this year, Lucius Flamininus, augur, and two pontiffs, Lucius Furius Philus, and Caius Livius Salinator. In the room of Furius, the pontiffs chose Titus Manlius Torquatus, and in that of Livius, Marcus Servilius.

XII. In the beginning of the ensuing year, the BOOK new consuls, Quintus Marcius and Cneius Servilius, having proposed the distribution of the provinces for Y.R. 583. confideration, the fenate voted, that they should, B. C. 169. without delay, either fettle between themselves about Macedonia and Italy, or cast lots for them; and that, before the lot should decide this matter, and while the destination of each was uncertain, lest interest might have any influence, the supplies of men, requisite for each province, should be ordered. For Macedonia were voted fix thousand Roman foot and fix thousand of the Latine allies, two hundred and fifty Roman horse, and three hundred of the allies. The old foldiers were to be discharged, so that there should be in each Roman legion no more than fix thousand foot and three hundred horse. The number of Roman citizens, which the other consul was to enlift for a reinforcement, was not precifely determined; there was only this limitation mentioned, that he should raise two legions, each of them to contain five thousand two hundred foot, and three hundred horse. Of Latine infantry, a larger number was decreed to him than to his colleague; no less than ten thousand foot, with six hundred horse. An order was given for raifing four other legions, to ferve wherever occasion might require. The consuls were not allowed the appointment of the military tribunes; they were created by the votes of the people. The Latine confederates were ordered to furnish sixteen thousand foot and one thousand horse. This force was intended only to be kept in readiness, to march out should any exigency demand it. Macedonia engroffed the greatest share of the senate's attention; they ordered, that one thousand Roman citizens, the rank of freed-men, should be enlifted in Italy, as seamen, to man the fleet, and the same number in Sicily; and that the prætor, to whose

lot the government of the latter province fell, should

take care to carry these over to Macedonia, to what-

B O O K ever place the fleet should be stationed at. To re-XLIII. cruit the army in Spain, three thousand Roman foot Y.R. 583. and three hundred horse were voted. With regard B. C. 169. to that army, too, the number of men in each legion was limited to five thousand foot and three hundred and thirty horse. Besides these, the prætor, to whose lot Spain should fall, was ordered to levy from the allies four thousand foot and three hundred horse.

> XIII. I AM well aware, that, through the fame difregard to religion, which has led men into the present prevailing opinion, of the gods never giving portents of any future events, no prodigies are now either reported to government or recorded in histo-But, for my part, while I am writing the transactions of antient times, my sentiments, I know not how, become antique; and I feel a kind of religious awe, which compels me to confider that events, which the men of those times, renowned for wisdom, judged deserving of the attention of government and of public expiation, must certainly be worthy of a place in my history. From Anagnia, two prodigies were reported this year: that a blazing torch was feen in the air; and that a cow spoke, and was maintained at the public expence. About the same time, at Minturnæ, the sky appeared as in a blaze of fire. At Reate, a shower of stones fell. At Cumæ, the image of Apollo, in the citadel, shed tears during three days and three nights. In the city of Rome, two keepers of temples reported, one, that, in the temple of Fortune, a fnake, with a mane, like that of a horse, had been seen by many; the other, that, in the temple of Fortuna Primigenia, on the hill, two different prodigies happened, a palm sprung up in the court, and a shower of blood fell in the middle of the day. Two prodigies were not attended to: one, because it happened in a place belonging to a private person; Titus Marcius Figulus having reported, that a palm sprung up

in the inner court of his house: the other, because BOOK it occurred in a foreign place, Fregellæ, where, in XLIII. the house of Lucius Atreus, a spear, which he had Y.R. 583. bought for his fon, who was a foldier, burned, as B. C. 169. was faid, for more than two hours, yet no part of it was confumed by the fire. The decemvirs, having consulted the books, with regard to the public prodigies, directed, that the confuls should sacrifice forty of the larger victims to the deities, whom they pointed out; and added, that a fupplication should be performed, and that all the magistrates should facrifice victims of the larger kinds, in all the temples, and the people wear garlands. All this was performed; as the decemvirs directed.

XIV. THEN was held an affembly for the creation of cenfors, which office was canvaffed for by several of the first men in the state; Caius Valerius Lævinus, Lucius Postumius Albinus, Publius Mucius Scavola, Marcus Junius Brutus, Caius Claudius Pulcher, and Tiberius Sempronius Gracchus. The two last were created censors, by the Roman people in affembly. As, on account of the Macedonian war, the business of levying troops was deemed of more importance than usual, the consuls made a complaint to the senate against the plebeians, that even the younger men did not obey their fummons. But, in opposition to them, Caius Sulpicius and Marcus Claudius, tribunes of the people, pleaded - in favour of the plebeians; afferting, that " the levy-" ing of foldiers proved difficult, not to the confuls in general, but to fuch confuls as affected popularity: that these enlisted no man against his in-" clination; and that, to convince the Confcript "Fathers of the truth of this, the prætors, who in " their office had less power and authority, would, with the approbation of the fenate, complete the " levies." That business was accordingly committed YOL. VI.

162 THE BOOK to the care of the prætors by an unanimous vote of the fenate, not without great murmuring on the part Y.R. 583. of the consuls. The censors, in order to forward B. C. 169. the business, published, in a general assembly, the following notice: that "they would make it a rule " in conducting the furvey, that, besides the common " oath taken by all citizens, the younger part should " fwear, in this manner, you are younger than forty-" fix years, and you shall attend at the levy, pur-" fuant to the edict of Caius Claudius and Tiberius " Sempronius, censors; and as often as there shall " be a levy held by any magistrate during the afore-" faid cenfors continuance in office, if you shall not " have been already enlifted, you shall attend the " faid levy." Also, as there was a report, that many men, belonging to the legions in Macedonia, were absent from the army, on leave granted by the commanders, without any time limited for their return, in order to ingratiate themselves with the soldiers, they issued a proclamation concerning all foldiers enlifted for Macedonia, in the confulate of Publius Ælius and Caius Popillius, or since that period; that " fuch as were in Italy should, after being first " registered by them in the survey, repair to Mace-"donia, within thirty days; and that, if any were " under the power of a father, or grandfather, the " names of such should be notified to them. "they would also make inquiry into the cases of the " foldiers who had been discharged; and if any dis-" charge should appear to have been obtained through " favour, before the regular number of campaigns "were served, they would order the persons so dis-" charged to be enlifted again." In confequence of this proclamation, and letters from the censors being

> dispersed through the market towns and villages, fuch multitudes of young men flocked to Rome, that the extraordinary crowd was even inconvenient to the city. Beside the reinforcements being raised

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for the armies, four legions were raised by the præ-BOOK XLIII.

within eleven days.

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XV. THE confuls then cast lots for their provinces; the prætors, in order to provide for the civil jurisdiction, having cast lots for theirs before. The civil jurisdiction had fallen to Caius Sulpicius; the foreign, to Caius Decimius; Spain, to Marcus Claudius Marcellus; Sicily, to Servius Cornelius Lentulus; Sardinia, to Publius Fonteius Capito; and the fleet to Caius Marcius Figulus. Of the confuls, Servius obtained Italy for his province; Quintus Marcius, Macedonia; and, as foon as the Latine feltival could be celebrated, the latter fet out. Cæpio, then, defired the senate to direct which two, of the new legions, he should take with him into Gaul: but they ordered, that the prætors, Caius Sulpicius and Marcus Claudius, should give the consul such of the legions, which they had raised, as they should think fit. The latter, highly offended at a conful being subjected to the will of prætors, adjourned the fenate; and, standing at the tribunal of the prætors, demanded, that, pursuant to the decree of the senate, they should assign him two legions: but the prætors lest the choice of them to the consul. The censors, then, called over the lift of the senate. Æmilius Lepidus was, now, by the third cenfors, chosen prince of the senate. Seven were expelled that body. In making the furvey of the people, they discovered how many of the soldiers belonging to the army in Macedonia were absent, and obliged them all to return to that province. They inquired into the cases of the men who had been discharged; and, when any of their discharges appeared irregular, in respect of time, they put an oath to them, to this effect: "Do you fincerely fwear, that you will, without deceit or evalion, return into the province of Macedonia, according BOOK "to the edict of the censors, Caius Claudius and **LIII. "Tiberius Sempronius?"

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XVI. In the review of the knights they acted with much harshness and severity, depriving many of their horses; and, after giving this offence to the equestrian order, they inflamed the general displeafure to a higher degree, by an edict, which ordered, that "no person who had farms of the public reve-" nues or taxes from the censors, Quintus Fulvius " and Aulus Postumius, should again propose for "them, nor should have any partnership or con-" nexion in the farms then to be made." Although the former farmers made many complaints to the senate, yet they could not prevail on that body to interfere, and check the power of the cenfors; but, at last, they found a patron of their cause in Publius Rutilius, a plebeian tribune, who was incensed against the censors in consequence of a dispute about a private concern. They ordered a client of his, a freedman, to throw down a wall, which stood opposite to a public building in the facred street, as being built on ground belonging to the public. The citizen appealed to the tribunes; but none of them would interfere except Rutilius, and the censors sent to seize his goods, and imposed a fine on him in a public affembly. When the present dispute broke out, and the old revenue farmers had recourse to the tribunes, a publication fuddenly appeared, in the name of one tribune, of a proposed order of the people, that "all leafes made of the public revenues and " taxes, by Caius Claudius and Tiberius Sempro-" nius, should be void: that they should all be let " anew, and that every person, without distinction, " should be at liberty to bid for, and take them." The tribune appointed the day for an affembly to confider this proposed order. When the day came. and the cenfors stood forth to argue against the order, Gracchus was heard with filent attention: but when

when Claudius began to speak, his voice was drowned BOOK in noise; on which he ordered the crier to cause XLIII. filence, that he might be heard. This was done; Y.R. 583, and the tribune, then, complaining that the affembly B. C. 169. which he had fummoned was taken out of his direction, and that he was stripped of the privilege of his office, retired from the Capitol, where the affembly Next day he raised a violent commotion. the first place, he declared the property of Tiberius Gracehus forfeited to the gods, for his having fined and seized the goods of a person who had appealed to a tribune; and for having, by a refusal to admit his protest, divested him of the rights of his office. He instituted a criminal process against Caius Claudius, for taking his assembly out of his direction; he declared his intention to profecute both the cenfors for treason; and he demanded of Caius Sulpicius. the city prætor, that he would fix a day for an affembly to try them. The censors declared that they had no objection to the people passing their judgment on them as foon as they pleafed; and the days of affembly, for trial of the treason, were fixed for the eighth, and seventh, before the calends of October. The censors went up, immediately, to the temple of Liberty, where they sealed the books of the public accounts, shut up the office, and dismissed the clerks; affirming, that they would do no kind of public bufiness, until the judgment of the people was passed on them. Claudius was first brought to trial; and after eight, out of the eighteen centuries of knights, and many others of the first class, had given sentence against him, the principal men in the state, immediately putting off their gold rings, in the fight of the people, put on mourning; and in that suppliant manner solicited the commons in Yet, it is said, that Gracchus was the his favour. chief means of making a change in their fentiments; for, on the commons crying out, on all sides, that Gracchus was in no danger, he swore a formal oath,

BOOK that if his colleague were condemned, he would not XLIII. wait for their fentence on himself, but would accompany. R. 583. pany him into exile. After all, the case of the ac-B. C. 169. cused was so near being desperate, that the votes of eight centuries more would have condemned him. When Claudius was acquitted, the tribune said, that he had nothing to do with Gracchus.

XVII. This year, on the Aquileians petitioning, by their ambassadors, for an addition to the number of their settlers, the senate ordered one thousand five hundred families to be enrolled for the purpose; and Titus Annius Luscus, Publius Decius Subulo, and Marcus Cornelius Cethegus, were appointed commissioners to conduct them. During the same year, Caius Popillius and Cneius Octavius, who had been fent ambassadors into Greece, read, first, at Thebes, and afterwards carried about to all the other states of Peloponnesus, a decree of the senate, ordering, that " no person should furnish the Roman magistrates " with any thing for the use of the war except what " should be directed by a vote of the senate." This, besides present satisfaction, afforded the allies a pleasing confidence, with regard to the future, of being relieved from the burdens and expences by which they used to be exhausted in consequence of the various demands of those magistrates. In the council of Achaia, held at Argos, the ambassadors spoke, and were heard with fentiments of mutual esteem and asfection; and then, leaving that faithful nation in confident affurance of lasting prosperity, they crossed over to Ætolia. There, no civil war had yet broke out, but mistrust and jealousy universally prevailed, and nothing was heard but reciprocal accusations and recriminations between the parties. To put a stop to these, the ambassadors demanded hostages, and, without waiting to cure the evil effectually, passed on to Acarnania. The Acarnanians held a council at Thyrium to give them audience. Here, too, there

there was a struggle between opposite factions; some BOOK of the nobles requiring that garrisons might be placed in their cities, to protect them against the madness of Y.R. 583. those who laboured to engage the nation in favour B.C. 169. of the Macedonians; and others, objecting to such a measure, as throwing such an affront on peaceful and allied cities, as was practifed only on towns taken in war, or engaged in hostilities. Their objection was reckoned reasonable. From thence the ambassadors returned to Larissa, to Hostilius, for by him they had been fent. He kept Octavius with him, and fent Popillius, with about a thousand soldiers, into winter-quarters in Ambracia.

XVIII. In the beginning of the winter, Perseus ventured not to go out of Macedonia, lest the Romans might make an irruption into the kingdom through some unguarded quarter; but, on the approach of the winter folftice, when the depth of the snow renders the mountains between that and Thesfaly impassable, he thought the season favourable for crushing the hopes and spirits of his neighbours, so as to relieve himself from all apprehension of danger from them, while he was employed elsewhere, in opposing the Romans; for, as Cotys and Cephalus, by their sudden desection from the Romans, afforded him fecurity on the fide of the kingdom next to Thrace and Epirus, and as he had lately subdued the Dardanians, by arms, he confidered that the only side of Macedonia exposed, was that next to Illyria, that the Illyrians themselves were in motion, and had offered a free passage to the Romans; and he hoped, that, if he reduced the nearest part of Illyria, Gentius himself, who had long been wavering, might be prevailed on to join him in alliance. Setting out, therefore, at the head of ten thousand foot, the greater part of whom were foldiers of the phalanx, two thoufand light infantry, and five hundred horse, he proceeded to Stubera. Having there supplied himself M 4

BOOK with corn, sufficient for many days, and ordered every XLIII. requilite, for belieging towns, to be sent after him, Y.R. 583. he continued his march, and, on the third day, en-3. C. 169. camped before Uscana, the largest city in the Penestian country. Before he employed force, he sent emissaries to found the dispositions, sometimes, of the commanders of the garrison, sometimes, of the inhabitants; for, belides some troops of Illyrians, there was a Roman garrison in the place. Perceiving no prospect of succeeding by negociation, he resolved to attack the town, and made an attempt to take it by ftorm; but, though his men, relieving one another in turns, continued without intermission, either by day or night, some to apply ladders to the walls, others to attempt fetting fire to the gates, yet the belieged withstood all the fury of the assault; for they had hopes that the Macedonians would not be able to endure long the violence of the winter in the open field; and besides, that the Roman army would not give the king so long a respite as should allow him to stay there. But, when they saw the machines in motion, and towers erected, their resolution failed; for, besides that they were unequal to a contest with his force, they had not, in the place, a sufficient store of corn, or any other necessary, as they had not expected a fiege. Wherefore, despairing of being able to hold out, the Roman garrison sent Caius Carvilius Spoletinus and Caius Afranius to desire Perseus, first, to allow the troops to march out with their arms, and to carry their effects with them; and then, if they could not obtain that, to receive his promise of their lives and liberty. The king promised more generously than he performed; for, after desiring them to march out with their effects, the first thing he did was to take away their arms. As foon as they left the city, both the cohort of Illyrians, five hundred in number, and the inhabitants of Uscana, immediately furrendered themselves and the city.

XIX. Perseus, placing a garrifon in Uscana, BOOK carried away to Stubera the whole multitude of the XLIII. prisoners, almost equal to his army in number. He Y. R. 53: then distributed the Romans, who amounted to four B. C. 169. thousand, besides officers, among several cities, to be kept in custody; and, having fold the Uscanians and Illyrians, led back his army to Penestia, with design to reduce the city of Ozneus; which, besides other advantages of its fituation, affords a passage into the country of the Labeatians, where Gentius was king. As he passed by a fort, named Draudacum, which was full of men, a person, well acquainted with the country, told him, that "there was no use in taking Ozeneus unless he had Drau-"dacum in his power; for the latter was fituated " more advantageously in every respect." army no sooner appeared before the place than all the inhabitants agreed to capitulate immediately. Encouraged by the furrender of this place happening fooner than he could have hoped, and perceiving what terrors his march diffused, by taking advantage of the like fears, he reduced eleven other forts to submission. Against a very few he had occasion to use force; the rest surrendered voluntarily; and he took in them one thousand five hundred Roman soldiers, who had been stationed there in garrison. Carvilius Spoletinus was very serviceable to him in his conferences with the garrisons, by declaring that no severity had been shewn to him and his party. length he arrived at Oæneus, which could not be taken without a regular siege, being supplied with a much greater number of men than the others, and with strong fortifications. It was inclosed on one fide by a river called Artatus, and on another by a very high mountain of difficult access; circumstances which gave the inhabitants courage to make refistance. Perseus, having drawn lines of circumvallation, began, on the higher ground, to raise a mound, which he intended should exceed the wall

BOOK in height. By the time this work was completed, XLIII. the belieged, in the many actions which they fought, Y.R. 583. when fallying out to defend their walls, or to ob-B. C. 169. struct the enemy's works, had lost great numbers by various chances; and those who survived were rendered useless by wounds, and by continual labour, both in the day and night. As foon as the mound was brought close to the wall, the royal cohort, the men of which are called Nicators, rushed from it into the town, and the wall was affaulted by scalade in many places at once. All the males, who had reached the age of puberty, were put to the sword, their wives and children were thrown into confinement, and every thing elfe was given as booty to the foldiers. Returning thence victorious to Stubera, he fent, as ambassadors to Gentius, Pleuratus, an Illyrian, who lived in exile at his court, and Aputeus, a Macedonian, from Berœa. His instructions to them were, to represent his exploits against the Romans and Dardanians during the preceding fummer and winter, and to add the recent operations of his winter campaign in Illyria, and to exhort Gentius to unite with him and the Macedonians in a treaty of friendship.

> XX. They croffed over the top of mount Scordus, and through desert tracts of Illyria, which the Macedonians had laid waste, for the purpose of preventing the Dardanians from passing easily into Illyria or Macedonia; and at length, after undergoing prodigious fatigue, arrived at Scodra. King Gentius was at Liffus, to which place he invited the ambafsadors, and lent a favourable ear to their representations, but gave them an indecisive answer: that "he " wanted not inclination to go to war with the Ro-" mans, but was in extreme want of money to ena-" ble him to enter on fuch an undertaking, which "he very much wished to do." This answer they brought to the king, while he was bufy at Stubera, in

in felling the prisoners from Illyria. He immedi- BOOK ately fent back the same ambassadors, to whom he XLIII. added Glaucias, one of his body guards, but without Y.R. 583. any mention of money; the only thing that could B.C. 169. induce the needy barbarian to take a part in the Then Perseus, after ravaging Ancyra, led back his army, once more, into Penestia; and, having strengthened the garrisons of Uscana, and the other fortresses which he had taken in that quarter, he retired into Macedonia.

XXI. Lucius Cælius, a Roman lieutenantgeneral, commanded, at that time, in Illyria. While the king was in that country he did not venture to stir, but, on his departure, he made an attempt to recover Uscana, in Penestia; in which, being repulsed, with great loss, by the Macedonian garrison in the place, he led back his forces to Lychnidus. In a short time after he sent Marcus Trebellius Fregellanus, with a very strong force, into Penestia, to receive hostages from the cities which had faithfully remained in friendship. He ordered him, also, to march on to the Parthinians, who had likewise covenanted to give hostages, and he received them from both nations without any trouble. The hoftages of the Penestians were sent to Apollonia; those of the Parthinians to Dyrrachium, then more generally called by the Greeks Epidamnus. Claudius, withing to repair the difgrace which he had suffered in Illyria, made an attack on Phanote, a fortress of Epirus; bringing with him, besides the Roman troops, Athamanian and Thesprotian auxiliaries, to the amount of fix thousand men: but he gained no advantage; for Clevas, who had been left there by Perseus, with a strong garrison, effectually defended the place. Perseus marched to Elimea. and, after purifying his army there, led it to Stratus, in compliance with an invitation of the Ætolians. Stratus was then the strongest city in Ætolia. It BOOK stands on the Ambracian gulph, near the river Ache-XLIII. lous. Thither he marched with ten thousand foot Y.R. 583. and three hundred horse; for he did not choose to H.C. 169. bring a larger party of the latter, on account of the narrowness and ruggedness of the roads. On the third.day he came to mount Citium, which he could icarcely climb over, by reason of the depth of the fnow; and, afterwards, with difficulty, he found even a place for his camp. Marching thence, rather because he could not stay, than that either the road, or the weather, was tolerable, the army, after suffering fevere hardships, which fell heaviest on the beasts of burden, encamped, on the second day, at the temple] of Jupiter, called Nicæus. Making a very long march thence, he arrived at the river Aracthus, where the depth of the water obliged him to halt until a bridge could be made. As foon as this was finished he led over his army; and, having proceeded one day's march, met Archidamus, an Ætolian of distinction, who proposed delivering Stratus into his hands.

> XXII. On that day he encamped at the bounds of the Ætolian territory; and, on the next, arrived before Stratus, where, pitching his camp near the river Achelous, he expected that the Ætolians would come in crowds, out of all the gates, to put themfelves under his protection; but, on the contrary, he found the gates shut, and discovered that, the very night before he arrived, a Roman garrison, under Caius Popillius, lieutenant-general, had been received into the town. The nobles, who, while Archidamus was present, had, out of deference to his authority, fubmitted to invite the king, as foon as he went out to meet Perseus, had become less zealous, and had given an opportunity to the opposite faction to call in Popillius, with one thousand foot, from Ambracia. At the same juncture came also Dinarchus, general of the Ætolian cavalry, with fix hundred

hundred foot and one hundred horse. It was well BOOK known that he came to Stratus intending to join XLIII. Perseus; but that, with the change of fortune, he had Y.R. 583. changed his mind, and joined the Romans, against B. C. 269. whom he had come. Nor was Popillius less on his guard than was requifite among people of fuch fickle He immediately took into his own direction the keys of the gates and the guard of the walls, and removed Dinarchus and the Ætolians, together with the young men of Stratus, into the citadel, under pretence of garrisoning it. Perseus, after founding the garrison, by addressing them from the eminences that hung over the upper part of the city, and finding that they were obstinate, and even kept him at a distance with weapons, removed his camp to the distance of five miles from the town, to the other fide of the river Petitarus. There he held a council, wherein Archidamus and the refugees from Epirus advised, that he should remain there; but the Macedonian nobles argued, that it would be wrong to fight against the severity of the season without having magazines of provisions; in which case the besiegers would feel a scarcity sooner than the besieged; especially, as the winter-quarters of the enemy were at no great distance: and these confiderations discouraged him so much, that he marched away into Aperantia. The Aperantians, in consequence of the great interest and influence which Archidamus possessed among them, submitted to Perseus, with universal consent; and Archidamus himself was appointed their governor, with a body of eight hundred soldiers.

XXIII. THE king then marched home to Macedonia, and both his men and horses suffered, on the way, hardships no less severe than they had encountered on their march our. However, the report of Perseus's march to Stratus obliged Appius to raise the siege of Phanote. Clevas, with a body of active young BOOK young men, purfued him, overtook him at the foot of a mountain, in a defile almost impassable, killed one Y.R. 583. thousand men of his disordered troops, and took B. C. 169. two hundred prisoners. Appius, when he got clear of the defile, encamped in a plain named Eleon, where he remained for some days. Meanwhile, Clevas, being joined by Philostrates, governor of Epirus, marched over the mountains, into the lands of Antigonea. The Macedonians set out to plunder, and Philostratus, with his party, posted himself in ambush, in a place of concealment. The troops at Antigonea hastened out against the straggling plunderers, and, on their flying, pursued them with too great eagerness, until they precipitated themselves into the valley which was beset by the enemy, who killed one thousand of them, and made about one hundred prisoners; and, being thus successful, every where, went and encamped near the post of Appius, in order to prevent the Roman army from offering violence to any of their allies. Appius, finding that he wasted time there to no purpose, dismissed the Chaonian and other Epirote troops, and, with his Italian foldie s, marched back to Illyria; then, fending the troops to their several winter-quarters, in the confederate cities of the Parthinians, he went home to Rome to perform a facrifice. Perseus recalled from Penestia one thousand foot and two hundred horse, whom he sent to garrison Cassandria. His ambassadors returned from Gentius with the Still he did not give up the

> design, but sent embassy after embassy, to solicit him; yet, notwithstanding that he was sensible what a powerful support he would prove, he could not prevail on himself to expend money on a business of such

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HISTORY OF ROME.

BOOK XLIV.

Quintus Marcius Philippus, conful, with much difficulty, penetrates into Macedonia, and takes several cities. The Rhodians send an embassy to Rome, threatening to aid Perseus, unless the Romans made peace with him. Lucius Æmilius Paullus, consul, sent against Perseus, defeats him, and reduces all Macedonia to subjection. Before the engagement, Caius Sulpitius Gallus, a military tribune, foretells an eclipse of the moon, and warns the soldiers not to be alarmed at that phenomenon. Gentius, king of Illyria, vanquished by Anicius, pretor, and sent prisoner, tegether with his wife and children, to Rome. Ambassaders from Ptolemy and Cleopatra, king and queen of Egypt, complain of Antiochus making war upon them. Perseus, not paying Eumenes, king of Pergamus, and Gentius, king of Illyria, the money he had promised them for their assignments.

I. E ARLY in the following spring the consul, Quintus Marcius Philippus, set out from Rome, with five thousand men, whom he was to carry over to reinforce his legions, and arrived at Brundusium. B. C. 169. Marcus Popillius, of consular rank, and other young men of equal dignity, accompanied the consul, in quality of military tribunes, for the legions in Macedonia.

BOOK donia. Nearly at the same time, Caius Marcius Figulus, the prætor, whose province was the fleet, Y.R. 583. came to Brundusium; and both, failing from Italy, B.C. 169. made Corcyra on the fecond day, and Actium, a port of Acarnania, on the third. The conful, then, disembarking at Ambracia, proceeded towards Thesfaly by land. The prætor, doubling cape Leucate, failed linto the gulph of Corinth; then leaving his ships at Creusa, he went by land also, through the middle of Bæotia, and, by a quick journey of one day, came to the fleet at Chalcis. Aulus Hostilius, at that time, lay encamped in Thessaly, near Palæpharsalus; and, though he had performed no warlike act of any consequence; yet, he had reformed his troops, from a state of dissolute licentiousness, and brought them to exact military discipline; had faithfully consulted the interest of the allies, and defended them from every kind of injury. On hearing of his fucceffor's approach, he carefully inspected the arms, men, and horses; and then, with the army in. complete order, he marched out to meet the conful at his coming. Their first meeting was such as became their own dignity and the Roman character; and in transacting business, afterwards, they preserved the greatest barmony and propriety. The proconsul addressing himself to the troops, exhorted them to behave with courage, and with due respect to the orders of their commander. He then recommended them, in warm terms, to the conful, and, as foon as be bad dispatched the necessary business, set off for Rome. A few days after, the conful made a speech to his soldiers, which began with the unnatural murder which Perseus had perpetrated on his brother, and meditated against his father; he then mentioned "his acquilition of the " kingdom, by the most nefarious practices; his poifonings and murders; his abominable attempt to es affassinate Eumenes; the injuries he had committed se against the Roman people; and his plundering the ef cities of their allies, in violation of the treaty. " How

"How detestable such proceedings were in the fight of the gods, he would feel, he said, in the issue of this affairs; for the gods always favoured righteous of this affairs; for the gods always favoured righteous of this affairs; for the gods always favoured righteous of the and honourable dealings; by means of which, the Roman people had risen to its present state of exaltation." He compared the strength of the Roman people, whose authority was now acknowledged throughout the whole world, with the strength of Macedonia; and the armies of the one with those of the other; and then he asked, "was not the strength of Philip, and that of Antiochus, much superior?" and yet both of them had been conquered by forces not more numerous.

II. HAVING animated the courage of his foldiers by fuch exhortations, he began to confult on a general plan of operations for the campaign; and he was joined, there, by the prætor Caius Marcius, who, after receiving the command of the fleet, came thither from Chalcis. It was resolved not to waste time, by delaying longer in Thessaly; but to decamp immediately, and advance into Macedonia; and that the prætor should exert himself to the utmost, that the fleet might appear, at the same time, on the enemy's The prætor, then, took his leave, and the conful, ordering the foldiers to carry a month's provisions, struck his tents, on the tenth day after he received the command of the army, and, putting the troops in motion, marched until night, proceeded, he called together the guides, who were to conduct his route, and ordered them to explain, in the presence of the council, by what road each of them proposed to lead him; then, desiring them to withdraw, he asked the opinion of the council, what route he should prefer. Some preferred the road through Pythium; others, that over the Cambunian mountains, where the conful Hostilius had marched the year before; while others, again, preferred that which passed by the side of the lake Ascuris. There was VOL. VI. yct, BOOK yet, before him, a considerable length of road, , which led alike towards all of these; the farther con-Y.R.583. fideration of this matter was, therefore, postponed B.C. 169. until they should encamp near the place where the roads diverged. He then marched into Perrhæbia. and posted himself between Azorus and Doliche, in order to consider again which was the preferable road. In the mean time, Perseus, understanding that the enemy was marching towards him, but unable to guess what route he might take, resolved to secure all the passes with guards. To the top of the Cambunian mountains, called by the natives Volustana, he fent ten thousand light infantry, under the command of Asclepiodotus; and he ordered Hippias, with a detachment of twelve thousand Macedonians, to guard the pass called Lapathus, near a fort which stood over the lake Ascuris. He, himself. with the rest of his forces, lay for some time in camp at Dius; and afterwards, as if he had loft the use of his judgment, and was incapable of forming any plan, he used to gallop along the coast, with a party of light horse, sometimes to Heracleus, sometimes to Phila, and then return, with the same speed, to Dius.

> III. By this time, the conful had determined to march through the pass near Octolophus, where, as we have mentioned, the camp of Philip formerly stood. But he deemed it prudent to dispatch, before him, four thousand men, to secure possession of such places as might be useful; the command of this party was given to Marcus Claudius, and Quintus Marcius the consul's son. The main body followed close after, but the road was so steep, rough, and craggy, that the advanced party of light troops, with great difficulty, effected in two days a march of fifteen miles; they then encamped on a spot called the tower of Eu-Next day, they advanced thence seven miles; and, having feized on a hill, at a small distance from the enemy's camp, they fent back a message to the conful,

conful, that "they had arrived within fight of the BOOK enemy; and had taken post in a place which was " fafe and convenient, in every respect; and they Y.R. 583. " urged him to make as long marches as he could to B. C. 169. " join them." This message came to the consul at the lake Ascuris, at a time when he was full of anxiety, on 'account of the difficulty of the road into which he had brought the army, and for the fate of those whom he had sent forward, with so small a force, among the posts of the enemy. His spirits were therefore greatly revived; and foon effecting a junction of all his forces, he pitched his camp on the side of the hill that had been seized, where the ground was the most commodious. This hill was so high as to afford a wide extended prospect, presenting to their eyes, at one view, not only the enemy's camp, which was little more than a mile distant, but the whole extent of country to Dius and Phila, together with a large tract of the sea coast; circumstances which greatly enlivened the courage of the foldiers, giving them so near a view of the grand theatre of the war, of all the king's forces, and of the country of the enemy. So highly were they animated, that they pressed the conful to lead them on directly to the enemy's camp; but, after the fatigue that they had suffered on the march, one day was set apart for repose. On the third day, the conful, leaving one half of his troops to guardthe camp, marched against the enemy.

IV. HIPPIAS had been sent by the king, a short time before, to maintain that pass; having employed himself, since he first saw the Roman camp on the hill, in preparing his men's minds for a battle, he now went forth to meet the consul's army as it advanced. The Romans came out to battle, with light armour, as did the enemy; light troops being the fittest for the kind of fight in which they were about to engage. As foon as they met, therefore, they instantly discharged their javelins, and many wounds were given,

BOOK and received, on both sides, in a disorderly kind of conflict; but few of either party were killed. This .R. 583. only irritated their courage, for the following day, B. C. 169. when they would have engaged with more numerous forces, and with greater animolity, had there been room to form a line; but the summit of the mountain was contracted into a ridge fo narrow, as scarcely to allow space for three files in front; while, therefore, but a few were engaged, the rest of the multitude, especially fuch as carried heavy arms, stood mere spec-The light troops even ran round tators of the fight. through the hollows of the hill, and attacked the flanks of the enemy; never confidering either the advantage or disadvantage of the ground, provided they could but come to action. That day too, greater numbers were wounded than killed, and night put a stop to the dispute. The Roman general was greatly at a loss how to proceed on the third day; for, to remain on that naked hill was impossible, and he could not return without difference, and even danger, if the enemy, with the advantage of the ground, should press on his troops in their retreat: he had, therefore, no other plan left, than to repair the hazardous boldness of the attempt, by perseverance in that boldness, which sometimes, in the issue, proves the wisest course. He had, in fact, brought himself into such a situation, that if he had to deal with an enemy, like the antient kings of Macedon, he might have suffered a very severe deseat. But, while the king, with his horsemen, ran up and down the shore at Dius, and, though almost within hearing of the shout and noise of the twelve thousand of his men, who were engaged, neither reinforced the party, by sending up fresh men to relieve the weary, nor, what was most material, appeared himself in the action; while the Roman general, notwithstanding that he was above fixty years old, and unweildy through corpulency, yet performed actively, in person, every duty of a commander. He persisted with extraordinary resolution in his bold undertaking; and; leav. BOOK ing Popillius to guard the summit, marched across, through places which would have been impassable, if Y. R. 582. he had not fent forward a party to open a road, order- B. C. 1691 ing Attalus and Misagenes, with the auxiliary troops of their own nations, to protect them, while they were clearing the way through the forests. He, himself, keeping the cavalry and baggage before him, closed the rear with the legions.

V. In descending the mountain, the men suffered inexpressible fatigue, besides the frequent falling of the cattle and their loads, so that, before they had advanced quite four miles, they began to think that their most eligible plan would be to return, if possible, by the way they came. The elephants caused almost as much confusion among the troops as an enemy could; for, when they came to impassable steeps, they threw off their riders, and set up such a hideous roar, as spread terror through all, especially among the horses, until a method was contrived for bringing them down. Fixing on the highest point of the declivity, they fastened in the earth, at some distance lower down, two long strong posts, distant from each other a little more than the breadth of the anisnal; on the tops of these were fastened beams thirty feet long, which stretched across the precipice, by means of which, they formed a kind of bridge, and covered it with earth. Then a little lower down, another bridge was formed, then a third, and several others one after another, where the rocks formed precipices. The elephant walked forward upon the bridge, on folid footing; but, before he came to the end, the posts underneath were cut, and the bridge falling, obliged him to slide down gently to the beginning of the next bridge, which some of them performed standing on their feet, others sitting down on their haunches. When they arrived at the level of

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BOOK of another bridge, they were again carried down, by

XLIV., its falling in like manner; and this operation was Y.R. 583. repeated until they came to more level ground. B. C. 169. The Romans advanced, that day, little more than seven miles; and even of this journey the smallest part was performed on their feet. Their method of proceeding in general was rolling themselves down, together with their arms and baggage, by which they were severely hurt; infomuch, that, even their commander, who led them such a march, did not deny, but that the whole army might have been cut off by a small party. During the night, they arrived at a small plain; but, as it was hemmed in on every fide, they could not immediately discover whether it was a place of danger or not. However, as they had, beyond their expectation, at length, found a place where they could stand with steadiness, they judged it necessary to wait, during the next day, in that deep valley for Popillius, and the forces left behind with him; who, though the enemy gave them no disturbance, suffered severely from the difficulties of the ground, as if they had been haraffed by an enemy. These having joined the main body, the whole proceeded, on the third day, through a pass called by the natives Calli-The road now before them was not more easy than what they had passed; but experience had taught them more skill to surmount the difficulties, and they were supported by more comfortable hopes, as they saw no enemy any where, and as they were coming nearer to the sea; and on the fourth day, they marched down into the plains, where they pitched their camp of infantry between Heraeleus and Libethrus, the greater part being posted on hills, the rest occupying a valley, and part of a plain where the cavalry encamped.

> VI. THE king, it is faid, was bathing, when he was informed of the enemy's approach; on hearing which, he started up from his seat, in a fright, crying

out, that he was conquered without a battle; he then BOOK rushed out, and, afterwards, continued in a state of fuch perturbation, that he could neither give any or- Y.R. 583. ders, nor form any plan, but what his fears dictated, B.C. 169. and even these he frequently altered. Of his two most intimate friends, he sent Nicias to Pella, where his treasure was lodged, with orders to throw all that he found there into the sea, and Andronicus to Thesfalonica, to burn the dock-yards. At the same time, he recalled Hippias and Asclepiodotus from the places which they had been appointed to guard, and opened every pass to the enemy. He went himself to Dius, where, collecting all the golden statues, that they might not fall a prey to the enemy, he put them on board the fleet, which he ordered to remove with all speed to Pydna. This behaviour of his was the cause, that the conduct of the consul in venturing into a fituation, out of which he could not retreat without the enemy's permission, although it might have been deemed rash and inconsiderate, yet carried, in fact, the appearance of judicious boldness. For there were only two passes through which the Romans could remove from their present situation: one through Tempe into Thessaly, the other by Dius into Macedonia; and both these were occupied by parties of the king's troops. So that if an intrepid commander had, only for ten days, maintained his ground, without yielding to the first appearance of the enemy's approach, the Romans could neither have retreated through Tempe into Thessaly, nor have had any road open for the conveyance of provisions from thence. For Tempe is a pass of such a nature, that, fuppoling no obstruction given by an enemy, it is difficult to get through it; being so narrow, for the length of five miles, that there is barely room for a loaded horse to pass; and also, the precipices, on both fides, are so abrupt, that it is scarcely posfible to look down from them, without a degree of dizziness of the eyes and head; and the horror of the

BOOK scene is increased, by the roaring and depth of the river Peneus flowing through the middle of the Y.R. 583. glen. This pass, in its nature so dangerous, had, for B. C. 169. its security, four parties of the king's troops, stationed in different places: one near Gonnus, at the first entrance; another in an impregnable fortress at Condylos; a third near Lapathus, in a place called Charax; and the fourth on the road itself, about midway, where the valley is narrowest, and which might have been easily defended, even by half a score men. All possibility either of retreating, or of receiving provisions through Tempe, being cut off, the Romans, in order to return, must have attempted to cross over the same mountains from which they came down; but even though they had been able to effect this, by passing unobserved, they never could have accomplished it in the view of the enemy, and while these had possession of the summits over their heads; and befides, the difficulties which they had already experienced would have precluded every hope of the kind. In this fituation, to which want of caution had brought them, they would have no other plan left than to force their way into Macedonia, through the midst of the enemy posted at Dius; and if the gods had not deprived the king of his understanding, this would have been extremely difficult. For the space between the foot of mount Olympus and the sea, is not much more than a mile in breadth; one half of which is taken up by the mouth of the river Baphirus, which forms a large morass, and, of the remaining plain, a great share is occupied by the town and the temple of Jupiter; the rest, being a very small space, might have been shut up with a trench and rampart of no great length, or, so great was the plenty of stones and timber on the spot, that, a wall might have been drawn across, and towers erected. But the king's judgment was fo entirely blinded by the fudden fright, that he reflected not upon any one of these circumstances; on the contrary, he evacuated all

all his strong posts, leaving them open to the enemy, B O.O K and fled back to Pydna.

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VII. THE conful, perceiving that the enemy's total B. C. 169. want of courage and conduct presented him a most favourable prospect, not only of safety, but of success, sent back a messenger to Larissa, with orders to Spurius Lucretius to seize on the forts about Tempe, deferted by the enemy; then, fending forward Popillius, to examine all the passes round Dius, and learning that every place was clear on all sides, he marched, in two days, to that town, and ordered the camp to be pitched under the walls of the temple, that no violation might be offered to that sacred place. He went himself into the city, and seeing it, though not large, yet highly ornamented, with public buildings and abundance of statues, and remarkably well fortified, he could scarcely believe that a place of fuch importance had been abandoned, without a defign to cover some stratagem. He waited, therefore, one day, to examine all the country round; then he decamped, and, supposing that he should find plenty of corn in his way, advanced, that day, to a river called the Mitys. On the day following, continuing his march, he received the voluntary furrender of the city of Agassa; whereupon, in order to gain the good opinion of the rest of the Macedonians, he contented himself with receiving hostages, assuring the inhabitants, that he would leave them their city without a garrison, and that they should live free from taxes, and under their own laws. Proceeding thence one day's march, he encamped at the river Ascordus: but, finding that the farther he removed from Thesfaly, the greater was the scarcity of every thing, he marched back thence to Dius; which clearly demonstrated how much he must have suffered if he had been shut out from an intercourse with Thessaly, fince he found it unsafe to go to any great distance from it. Perseus, having drawn together all his forces

BOOK forces into one body, and affembled all his genexLIV. rals, reprimanded feverely the commanders of Y. R. 583. the garrisons, and particularly Hippias, and Ascle-B. C. 159. piodotus: afferting, that they had betrayed to the Romans the keys of Macedonia; although, in fact, no one deserved more justly to be blamed for it than himself. The consul, on seeing the fleet at sea, conceived hopes that the ships, with provisions, were coming; and every article had now become very dear and very scarce: but, when the ships came into harbour, he was informed, that the transports had been left behind at Magnelia. then under great perplexity to determine what meafures to take; fo hard did he find to it struggle with the difficulties of his fituation, though not aggravated by any effort of the enemy; when, very feafonably, a letter arrived from Lucretius, acquainting him that he was in possession of all the forts about Tempe and Phila, and had found in them great plenty of corn and other necessaries.

> VIII. This news highly rejoiced the conful; and he immediately removed his quarters from Dius to Phila, in order both to strengthen that post, and, at the same time, to distribute corn to the soldiers, on the spot, as the carriage of it thence would be tedi-That march gave rife to opinions not at all favourable to his reputation: some said that he retired from the enemy, through fear; because, if he had staid, he must have risked a battle: others, that. not confidering the daily changes, produced by fortune in the affairs of war, he had let slip out of his hands, advantages which threw themselves in his way, and which, in all probability, he could now never recall. For, by giving up the possession of Dius, he, at once, roused the enemy to action; who now, at length, faw the necessity of endeavouring to recover what he had lost before, through his own fault. On hearing of the conful's departure, Perseus march-

ed back to Dius, repaired whatever had been demo- BOOK lished and destroyed by the Romans, rebuilt the battlements of the walls which they had thrown down, Y.R. 583. ftrengthened the fortifications all round, and then B. C. 1694 pitched his camp within five miles of the city, on the hither bank of the river Enipeus, making use of the river, the passage of which was extremely difficult, as a defence to his post. The Enipeus, which flows down from a valley of mount Olympus, is a small ftream during the fummer, but is raifed by the winter rains to a violent torrent, when, as it runs over the rocks, it forms furious eddies, and, by fweeping away the earth at the bottom into the sea, makes very deep gulphs, while the finking of the middle of the channel renders the banks both high and steep. By the help of this river, Perseus thought that he might stop the march of the enemy, and prevent his proceeding any farther during the remainder of the fummer. In the mean time, the conful fent Popillius, with xwo thousand men, against Heracleus, which is about five miles from Phila, midway between Diusand Tempe, and stands on a steep rock hanging over the river.

IX. Popillius, before he attacked the town. fent to recommend to the magistrates, rather to try the honour and clemency of the Romans, than their power; but this advice was totally difregarded, the fires in the king's camp on the Enipeus being now within their fight. The attack was then commenced both by affaults, and with works and machines, and both on the fide facing the sea, for the ships had been brought up close to the shore, and likewise on land, and a party of Roman youths even gained possession of the lowest part of the wall, by turning to the purposes of war a kind of sport which they were accustomed to practife in the circus. In those times, when the present extravagant fashion, of filling the circus with beafts of every kind, was yet unknown, it was customary to contrive various kinds of amuse-

BOOK ments; for, when one chariot race, and one fet of. tumblers, were exhibited, both the performances Y. R. 583. scarcely filled up the space of an hour. Among other B. C. 169. entertainments, the directors of the games used to introduce about fixty young men in arms, fometimes more, whose performances were partly a representation of troops going through the military exercise, and partly a display of more accurate skill than appeared in the practice of foldiers, and which approached nearer to the mode of fighting used by gladia-After performing other evolutions, they used to form, in a Iquare body, with their shields raised over their heads, and closed together, the foremost flanding upright, the next stooping a little, the third and fourth lines more and more, and so on, until the hindmost rested on their knees, and thus they formed a covering, in the shape of a tortoile-shell, and sloping, like the roof of a house. Then, two armed men, who stood at the distance of about fifty-feet, ran forward, and after some menacing flourishes of their arms, mounted over the closed shields, from the bottom to the top of this roof, and treading as fleadily as if on folid ground, sometimes paraded along the extreme edges of it, as if repelling an enemy, and sometimes engaged each other on the middle of it. A covering like this they raised against a part of the wall, and the foldiers, standing thereon, mounted, until they were as high as the defendants on the battlements; these they soon beat off, and the soldiers of two companies climbed over into the town. only difference between this and the other erection was, that here the outlide men, in the front, and in the two flanks, did not raise their shields over their heads, lest they should expose their bodies, but held them before them, as in battle; so that the weapons thrown at them, from the walls, as they advanced, did them no injury, while those that were poured down in showers on the roof slided down the smooth slope, to the bottom, without doing any mischief. When Heracleus

Heracleus was taken, the consul removed his quar- BOOK ters thither, as if he intended to beliege Dius, and XLIV. after driving the king thence, to advance to Pieria. Y.R. 5830 But seeing it time to prepare quarters for the winter, B. C. 169. he ordered roads to be made for the conveyance of provisions from Thessaly, and proper places to be chosen for store-houses, and huts to be built, where the people employed in bringing the provisions might lodge.

X. Perseus, having, at length, recovered his spirits, after the panic with which he had been, as it were, thunderstruck, began to wish that obedience had not been paid to the orders which he had given in his fright, to throw the treasures at Pella into the sea, and to burn the naval arsenals at Thessalonica. Andronicus, whom he had sent to Thessalonica, deferred the execution of his order, him time for repentance, which accordingly took place; but Nicias, less provident, threw into the sea what treasure he found at Pella; his error, however, turned to be not without remedy, inafmuch as the greatest part of the treasure was brought up again by divers. Nevertheless, Perseus was so very much ashamed of his fright on the occasion, that he ordered the divers to be privately put to death; and afterwards Andronicus and Nicias, that there might be no living witness of such dastardly orders, mean time, Caius Marcius, with the fleet, sailed from Heracleus to Thessalonica; on landing his men, in many places, he made wide depredations on the country; and when the troops from the city came out against him, he defeated them in several actions, and drove them back, in difmay, within their walls. even alarmed the city itself; but the townsmen, erecting engines of every kind, wounded, with stones thrown out of them, not only such as straggled carelessly near the walls, but even those who were on board

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BOOK board the ships. He therefore re-embarked his xLIV. troops; and giving up the design of besieging Thes-W.R. 582. falonica, proceeded thence to Ænia, fifteen miles B. C. 169. distant, situated opposite to Pydna, in a sertile country. After ravaging the lands in that quarter, he coasted along the shore, until he arrived at Antigonea. Here his troops landed, and, for some time, carried their depredations through all the country round, putting a great deal of booty on board the ships; but, afterwards, a party of Macedonians, confifting of foot and horse intermixed, fell upon them as they straggled, put them to a precipitate slight, and, pursuing them to the shore, killed near five hundred, and took as many prisoners. Nothing but extreme necessity, on finding themselves hindered from flying to the ships for fafety, roused the courage of the Roman foldiers, by filling them with despair of any other means of fafety, and with indignation at their disgrace. They renewed the fight on the shore, and were affifted by the men in the ships; and, here, about two hundred Macedonians were killed, and a like number taken. From Antigonia, the fleet sailed on to the district of Pallene, where a descent was made for the purpose of plundering. This district belonged to the territory of Cassandrea, and was, by far, the most plentiful of any, at which they had yet touched on the coast. There they were met by king Eumenes, who came from Elea with twenty decked ships, and king Prusias also sent five decked ships thither.

XI. Such a large accession of strength encouraged the prætor to lay siege to Cassandrea. This city was built by king Cassander, in the pass which connects the territory of Pallene with the rest of Macedonia. It is washed, on one side, by the Toronæan, on another by the Macedonian sea: for it stands on a neck of land, which stretches out into the sea, and rises, in the part opposite Magnesia, to an height equal to that of mount

mount Athos, forming two unequal promontories, BOOK the larger called Posideum, the smaller Canastræum. The beliegers formed their attacks on two different Y.R. 583. sides: the Roman general, at a place called Clitze, B. C. 169. drew a trench from the Macedonian to the Toronæan sea, to which he added pointed palasades, to cut off the communication; and, on the other fide, next to the Euripus, Eumenes carried on his attack. The Romans underwent a vast deal of labour, in filling up a trench, which Perseus had dug in the way; and, on the prætor inquiring where the earth that had been taken out of it was thrown, as he saw no heaps of it any where, some arches were shewn him that were closed up with it, not of equal thickness with the old wall, but with a fingle row of brick. this, he formed the design of opening a way into the city, by breaking through that wall; and he hoped to be able to effect this, before it should be discovered, if, by affaulting another part of the wall, by scalade, and raising a tumult there, he could divert the attention of the belieged, to the defence of the place attacked. There were in garrison at Cassandrea, besides the younger inhabitants, who formed no contemptible body, eight hundred Agrians, and two thousand Illyrians, from Penestia, sent thither by Pleuratus, and the men of both countries were remarkably warlike. While these were busy in desending the walls, and the Romans using their utmost efforts to scale them, in an instant of time, the walls of the arches were broken down, and the city laid open; and if those who broke through had been armed, they must have immediately become masters When the foldiers were told that this work was accomplished, they were so elated with joy, that they raised a sudden shout, expecting to force their way in at several different places.

XII, At first the enemy wondered what this sudden shout could mean; but when Pytho and Philip,

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BOOK the commanders of the garrison, were told that the city was laid open, they concluded that every advantage .R. 583. refulting from that event would be in favour of which-3. C. 169. ever party first attacked the other; and, therefore, they fallied out, with a strong party of Agrians and Illyrians, who, while the Romans were coming together, from various parts, and endeavouring to form their battalions to march into the city, attacked them thus disordered and irregular; and quickly routing them, drove them to the trench, into which they were tumbled, in heaps, one over another. fix hundred were killed in this action, and almost every one that was found between the wall and the trench was wounded. The blow meditated by the prætor, having thus recoiled on himself, damped his spirit for any other attempts; and as Eumenes made little or no progress, though he carried on his operations both on land and from the ships, they both concurred in a refolution to strengthen their guards, in order to prevent the introduction of any reinforcement from Macedonia; and, fince open force had not fucceeded, to carry on the fiege by regular approaches. While they were adjusting matters, according to this plan, ten barks, belonging to the king, fent from Thessalonica, with a chosen body of Gallic auxiliaries, observing the enemy's ships lying at anchor in the road, took advantage of the darkness of the night, and keeping close to the shore as possible, in a single line, effected their passage to the city. Intelligence of this new addition of force obliged both the Romans and the king to raise the siege. They then sailed round the promontory, and brought the fleet into the harbour of Toron. This town, also, they intended to besiege; but, perceiving that it had a strong garrison to defend it, they dropped the design, and proceeded to Demetrias. When they approached this place, they faw the fortifications fully manned with the foldiers; they therefore failed on, and brought the fleet into harbour

harbour at Iolcos, intending, after ravaging the coun- BOOK try there, to proceed to the fiege of Demetrias.

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XIII. In the mean time, the conful, not to lie quite inactive in the enemy's country, sent Marcus Popillius, with five thousand men, to reduce the city This city stands at the foot of mount of Melibæa. Ossa, where it stretches out into Thessaly, and is very advantageously situated for commanding Deme-The townspeople were terrified, at first, by the approach of the enemy; but, foon recovering from the fright, occasioned by the unexpectedness of the event, they ran hastily in arms to the gates and walls, to those parts where they apprehended an attack; and cut off thereby, from the enemy, all hope of taking the place by an immediate assault. therefore, made preparations for a fiege, and began their works, for making the approaches. When Perfeus understood that Meliboea was besieged by the conful's troops, and, at the same time, that the fleet lay at Iolcos, intending to proceed thence to attack Demetrias, he fent Euphranor, one of his generals, with two thousand chosen men, to Meliboea. His orders were, that, if he could compel the Romans to retire from Melibæa, he should then march secretly into Demetrias, before the enemy should bring up their troops from Iolcos. As foon as the troops, employed against Melibæa, beheld him on the high grounds, they abandoned their works, in great consternation, and set them on fire. Thus was Melibæa relieved, and Euphranor, after raifing the siege of one city, marched instantly to Demetrias. arrival gave the townsmen full confidence that they should be able, not only to defend their walls, but to protect their lands, also, from depredations; and they made several irruptions on the straggling parties of the plunderers, not without loss to the enemy. However, the prætor, and the king, rode round the walls to view the fituation of the city, and try whe-YOL. VI. ther

BOOK ther they might attempt it on any side, either by storm, XLIV., or works. It was reported, that some overtures of Y.R. 583. friendship, between Eumenes and Perseus, were here . B. C. 169. agitated, through Cydas, a Cretan, and Antimachus, governor of Demetrias. It is certain, that the armies retired from Demetrias. Eumenes sailed to the conful; and, after congratulating him on his success n penetrating into Macedonia, went home to Per-Marcus Figulus, the prætor, sent part of his fleet to winter at Sciathus, and, with the remainder, repaired to Oreum in Eubæa; judging that the most convenient place for fending supplies to the armies in Macedonia and Thessaly. There are very different accounts given, respecting king Eumenes: if Valerius Antius is to be believed, he neither gave any affiftance, with his fleet, to the prætor, though often solicited by letters; nor did he part with the conful in good humour, being offended at not being permitted to lie in the same camp with him; and he could not be prevailed on even to leave the Gallic horsemen that he had brought with him. But his brother Attalus remained with the conful, and, in the constant tenor of his conduct, evinced a sincere attachment, and an extraordinary degree of zeal and activity in the service.

XIV. WHILE the war was proceeding thus in Macedonia, ambassadors came to Rome, from a chiestain of the Gauls, beyond the Alps, whose name is said to have been Balanos, but of what tribe he was, is not mentioned. They brought an offer of assistance towards the war in Macedonia. The senate returned him thanks, and sent him presents, a golden chain of two pounds weight, golden bowls, to the amount of sour pounds, a horse, completely caparisoned, and a suit of horseman's armour. Afterwards, the Gauls, ambassadors from Pamphylia, brought into the senate-house a golden crown, of the value of twenty-thousand Philippics, and requested permission to deposit

lit it, as an offering, in the shrine of Jupiter supremely B O O K good and great, and to offer facrifice in the Capitol, XLIV. which was granted, and the ambassadors having ex- Y. R. 583. pressed a wish to renew the treaty of friendship, a gra- B. C. 169. cious answer was given, and a present was made to each of them of two thousand ases*. Then, audience was given to the ambassadors of king Prusias; and, a little after, to those of the Rhodians. Subject of both these embassies was the same, but their manner of treating it was widely different. The purpose of both was, to effect a renewal of peace with king Perseus. The address of Prusias confisted of intreaties, rather than demands; for he declared, that " he had hitherto supported the cause of the Romans, and would continue to support it, as long as the war should last. But, on Perseus fending ambassadors to him, on the subject of putsting an end to the war with the Romans, he had or promised them to become a mediator with the " fenate:" and he requested that, "if they could prevail on themselves to lay aside their resentment, they would allow him some share of merit in the " re-establishment of peace." Such was the discourse of the king's ambassadors. The Rhodians, after oftentatiously recounting their many services to the Roman people, and arrogating to themselves rather the greater share of its successes, particularly in the case of king Antiochus, proceeded in this manner, that," at a time when peace subsisted between the Macedonians and Romans, they, likewise, com-" menced a friendship with king Perseus, which they had, fince, unwillingly broken, without having any « reason to complain of him, but merely because it was the defire of the Romans to draw them into a confederacy in the war. For three years past, "they felt many inconveniences from the war. In « consequence of the interruption of commerce, and

BOOK" the loss of their port duties and provisions, their XLIV. "island was distressed by a general scarcity. When Y.R.583." their countrymen could no longer suffer this, they B.C. 169." had sent other ambassadors, into Macedonia, to "Perseus, to warn him that it was the wish of the "Rhodians that he should conclude a peace with "the Romans, and had sent them to Rome with "the same message. The Rhodians would after- "wards consider what measures they should judge proper to be taken against either party that should "obstruct a pacification." I am convinced that no person, even at the present time, can hear or read such expressions without indignation; we may, then, easily judge what emotions the hearing of them produced in the minds of the senators.

XV. According to the account of Claudius, no answer was given; and the senate only directed a decree to be read, by which the Roman people ordered that the Carians and Lycians should enjoy independence; and that a letter should be sent, immediately, to each of those nations, acquainting them therewith. On hearing which, the principal ambassador, whose arrogant demeanor, just before, seemed to hold the senate in contempt, sunk into abject despondency. Other writers say, that an answer was given to this effect: "That, at the commence-" ment of the prefent war, the Roman people had " learned, from unquestionable authority, that the A Rhodians, in concert with king Perseus, had " formed fecret machinations against their common-" wealth; and that, if that matter had been doubt-" ful hitherto, the words of their ambassadors, just " now, had reduced it to a certainty; as, in general, " treachery, though at first sufficiently cautious, yet, " in the end, betrays itself. The Rhodians, by their " messengers, had acted the part of arbiters of war and peace throughout the world: at their nod the "Romans must take up arms and lay them down;

"And must soon appeal, not to the gods, but to the RLIV.

"Rhodians, for their fanction of treaties. And was this indeed the case; that, unless their orders were Y.R. 583.

"obeyed, and the armies withdrawn from Macedo-B. C. 169.

"nia, they would consider what measures they should take? What the Rhodians might determine, they, themselves, knew best; but the Roman people, as soon as the conquest of Perseus should be completed, an event which they hoped was at no great distance, would most certainly consider how to make due retribution to each state, according to its deserts in the course of the war." Nevertheless the usual presents of two thousand asses each were sent to the ambassadors, which they did not accept.

XVI. THEN were read letters from the conful Quintus Marcius, informing the senate, that "he "had passed the mountains, and penetrated into Macedonia; that the prætor had collected there, " and procured from other places, stores of provi-" fions for the approaching winter; and that he had " bought from the Epirots twenty thousand mea-" fures of wheat, ten thousand of barley, the price " of which he defired might be paid to their am-" baffadors in Rome: that clothing for the troops " must be sent from Rome; and that he wanted " about two hundred horses, which he wished to be " Numidian; where he was, he could procure " none." The senate decreed, that every thing should be done as defired in the conful's letter. The prætor, Caius Sulpicius, agreed with contractors for conveying into Macedonia fix thousand gowns, thirty thousand tunics, and the horses, all which were to be approved by the conful; and he paid the Epirot ambassadors the price of the corn. He then introduced to the fenate, Onesimus, son of Pytho, a Macedonian of distinction. He had always advised the king to peaceable measures, and recommended

BOOK to him, that, as his father Philip had, to the last day

of his life, made it an established rule to read over, Y.R.583. twice every day, the treaty concluded with the Ro-B. C. 169. mans, so he should, if not daily, yet frequently, obferve the same practice. Finding that he could not dissuade him from war, he, at first, absented himself, on various pretences, that he might not be present at proceedings which he could not approve. at last, having discovered that suspicions were harboured against him, and hints thrown out of charging him with treason, he went over to the Romans, and was of great service to the conful. was introduced into the senate-house, he mentioned these circumstances, and the senate thereupon decreed that he should be enrolled in the number of their allies; that lodging and accommodations should be provided for him; that two hundred acres of land should be granted to him, in that part of the Tarentine territory which was the public property of the Roman people; and that a house should be purchased for him in Tarentum. The charge of executing all which was committed to Caius Decimius, the prætor. On the ides of December, the censors performed the general survey with more severity than A great many were deprived of their horses, among whom was Publius Rutilius, who, when tribune of the people, had carried on a violent profecution against them; he was, besides, degraded from his tribe, and disfranchifed. In pursuance of a decree of the senate, one-half of the taxes of that year was paid by the quæstors into the hands of the cenfors, to defray the expences of public works; and Tiberius Sempronius, out of the money assigned to him, purchased, for the public, the house of Publius Africanus, behind the old house, near the statue of Vertumnus, with the butchers' stalls and shops adjoining; and he built there the public court-house, afterwards called the Sempronian.

XVII. The end of the year now approached, and BOOK people's thoughts were so deeply engaged by the war in Macedonia, that the general topic of their Y.R. 583. conversation was, what consuls they should choose, B. C. 169. to bring that war, at length, to a conclusion. fenate, therefore, passed an order, that Cneius Servilius should come home, as soon as he could, to hold Sulpicius, the prætor, fent the order the elections. of the senate to the consul; and, in a few days after. read his answer in public, wherein he promised to be in the city before the * * day of * * *. consul came in due time, and the election was finished on the day appointed. The confuls chosen were, Lucius Æmilius Paullus, a second time, fourteen years after his first consulship, and Caius Licinius Crassus. Next day, the following were appointed prætors: Cneius Bæbius Tamphilus, Lucius Anicius Gallus, Cneius Octavius, Publius Fonteius Balbus, Marcus Æbutius Elva, and Caius Papirius Carbo. The senate's anxiety about the Macedonian war stimulated them to more than ordinary expedition in all their proceedings; they, therefore, ordered, that the magistrates elect should immediately cast lots for their provinces, that it might be known which conful was to have the command in Macedonia, and which prætor that of the fleet; in order that they might, without loss of time, consider and prepare whatever was requilite for the service, and consult the fenate on any point where their direction was necessary. They voted, that, " on the magistrates " coming into office, the Latine festival should be ce-" lebrated as early as the rules of religion permitted; " and that the conful, who was to go into Macedo-" nia, should not be detained on account of it." When these orders were passed, Italy and Macedonia were named as the provinces for the confuls; and for the prætors, besides the two jurisdictions in the city, the fleet, Spain, Sicily, and Sardinia, to the confuls, Macedonia fell to Æmilius, Italy to Licinius.

BOOK Licinius. Of the prætors, Cneius Bæbius got the XLIV. city jurisdiction; Lucius Anicius the foreign, under Y, R. 583. a rule to go wherever the senate should direct; CneB. C. 169. ius Octavius, the fleet; Publius Fonteius, Spain; Marcus Æbutius, Sicily; and Caius Papirius, Sardinia.

XVIII. IT immediately became evident to all, that the conduct of Lucius Æmilius, in the prosecution of the war, would not be deficient in vigour; for, besides the well-known energy of his character, his thoughts were turned, with unremitting attention, folely on the business relative to that war. In the first place, he requested the senate to send commisfioners into Macedonia, to review the armies and the fleet, and to bring authentic information respecting the wants both of the land and sea forces; to make what discoveries they could respecting the state of the king's forces, and to learn how much of the country was in our power, how much in that of the enemy; whether the Romans were still encamped among the woods and mountains, or had got clear of all the difficult passes, and were come down into the level country; who were faithful allies to us, who were doubtful, and ready to join either party that fortune favoured, and who were avowed enemies; what store of provisions was prepared, and whence new supplies might be brought by land carriage, whence by the fleet; and what progress had been made in the war, during the last campaign, either on land or sea. For he thought, that, by gaining a thorough knowledge of all these particulars, the plans for future proceedings might be constructed on sure grounds. The senate directed the conful, Cneius Servilius, to fend, as commissioners, into Macedonia, fuch persons as should be approved of by Lucius Æmilius. Cneius Domitius Ahenobarbus, Aulus Licinius Nerva, and Lucius Bæbius, were commissioned accordingly, and they began their journey two days after. Towards the close of this BOOK year it was reported that two showers of stones had fallen, one in the territory of Rome, the other in Y.R. 583. that of Veii, and the nine days folemnity was per- 8, C. 169formed. Of the priests, died this year, Publius Quintilius Varus, flamen of Mars, and Marcus Claudius Marcellus, decemvir, in whose room was substituted Cneius Octavius. It has been remarked, as an instance of the increasing magnificence of the times, that, in the Circensian games, exhibited by Publius Cornelius Scipio Nasica and Publius Lentulus, curule ædiles, fixty-three panthers, and forty bears and elephants, made a part of the show.

XIX. At the beginning of the following year, Y.R. 584. Lucius Æmilius Paullus and Caius Licinius, consuls, B. C. 166. having commenced their administration on the ides of March, the senators were impatient to hear what propositions were to be laid before them, particularly with respect to Macedonia, by the consul to whose lot that province had fallen; but Paullus said, that he had, as yet, nothing to propose to them, the commissioners not being returned: that "they were then at Brundusium, after having been twice driven " back to Dyrrachium in attempting the passage: st that he intended, shortly, to propose the business " of his province to their confideration, when he s should have obtained the information which was or previously necessary, and which he expected with-"in very few days." He added, that, "in order "that nothing should delay his setting out, the day se before the calends of April had been fixed for the " Latine festival; after finishing which solemnity, " he, and Cneius Octavius, would begin their jourse ney as foon as the senate should direct: that, in -4 his absence, his colleague, Caius Licinius, would If take care that every thing necessary to be pross vided, or fent to the army, should be provided ff and fent; and that, in the mean time, audience might

BOOK " might be given to the embassies of foreign naxLIV. " tions." The usual facrifice being duly offered, Y.R. 584, the first introduced were ambassadors from Alexan-B. C. 168. dria, fent by king Ptolemy and queen Cleopatra. They came into the senate-house dressed in mourning, with their hair and beard neglected, holding in their hands branches of olive; there they prostrated themselves on the ground, and their discourse was even more piteous than their dress. chus, king of Syria, who had formerly been a hostage at Rome, had, lately, under the honourable pretext of restoring the elder Ptolemy to the throne. made war on his younger brother, then in possession of Alexandria; and having gained the victory, in a fea-fight off Pelusium, and thrown a temporary bridge across the Nile, he led over his army, and laid siege to Alexandria itself, to the great terror of the inhabitants; so that he seemed almost on the point of taking possession of that very opulent kingdom. The ambassadors, after complaining of these proceedings, belought the fenate to succour those princes, the faithful friends of their empire. faid, that " fuch had been the kindness of the Ro-" man people to Antiochus, such its insluence over " all kings and nations, that, if they only fent am-66 baffadors, to give him notice that the fenate were " displeased at war being made with princes in alli-" ance with them, he would instantly retire from "the walls of Alexandria, and lead his army home into Syria. But if this were not done speedily. Ptolemy and Cleopatra would foon come to Rome " in the character of dethroned exiles, which must « excite some degree of shame in the Roman es people, for having neglected to fuccour them in . " their extreme distress." The senate were so much affected by the supplications of the Alexandrians, that they immediately fent Caius Popillius Lænas, Caius Decimius, and Caius Hostilius, ambassadors, to put an end to the dispute between those kings.

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Their inftructions were, to go first to Antiochus, BOOK then to Ptolemy; and to acquaint them, that, unless hostilities were stopped, whichever party should give Y.R. 524, cause to their continuance, must expect to be considered, by the senate, as neither a friend nor an ally.

XX. These ambaffadors fet out, within three days; in company with the Alexandrian ambassadors; and, on the last day of the feast of Minerva, the commissioners arrived from Macedonia. Their coming had been so impatiently wished for, that, if it had not been very late in the day, the confuls would have affembled the fenate immediately. Next day the fenate met, and received the report of the commif-They stated, that "the army had been led. "through pathless and difficult wilds, into Macedonia, with more risk than advantage: that Pieria, to which its march had been directed, was "then possessed by the king; and the two camps " fo close to each other, as to be separated only by "the river Enipeus, which runs between them: "that the king was not disposed to fight, nor was our general strong enough to compel him; and, " besides, that the severity of the winter had inter-" rupted all military operations: that the foldiers were maintained in idleness, and had not corn " fufficient for more than fix days: that the force " of the Macedonians was faid to amount to thirty " thousand effective men: that if Appius Claudius " had a fufficient force at Lychmidus, the king " might be perplexed by his standing between two " enemies; but that, as the case stood, both Ap-" pius, and the troops under his command, were in " the utmost danger, unless either a regular army " were speedily sent thither, or they were removed "thence. From the camp," they stated that "they " had gone to the fleet; where they learned, that " many of the seamen had perished by sickness; "that many, particularly fuch as came from Sicily,

BOOK "had gone off to their own homes; and that the KLIV." fhips were in want of men, while those who were in the free man in the free man in the flips had been "Griven thither, accidentally, by the wind, had both come, and gone away, without any apparent reason; nor did the intentions of that king seem to be thoroughly settled." While their report stated every particular in the conduct of Eumenes as dubious, it represented Attalus as steady and saithful in the highest degree.

XXI. AFTER the commissioners were heard, Lucius Æmilius faid, that he then proposed for consideration the business of the war; and the senate decreed, that " tribunes for eight legions should be se appointed, half by the confuls, and half by the ex people; but that none should be appointed, for that year, who had not held some office of maegistracy: that, out of all the military tribunes, " Lucius Æmilius should select such as he chose for es the two legions that were to serve in Macedonia. " and that, as foon as the Latine festival should be " finished, the consul, Lucius Æmilius, and the " prætor, Cneius Octavius, to whose lot the fleet " had fallen, should repair to their province." To these was added a third, Lucius Anicius, the prætor who had the foreign jurisdiction; for it was resolved that he should succeed Appius Claudius in the province of Illyria, near Lychnidus. The charge of raising recruits was laid on the consul, Caius Licinius, who was ordered to enlift, of Roman citizens, feven thousand foot and two hundred horse, and to demand, from the Latine confederates, seven thoufand foot and four hundred horse; and, also, to write to Cneius Servilius, governor of Gaul, to raise there fix hundred horse. This force he was ordered to fend, with all expedition, into Macedonia, to his colleague. It was resolved, that there should be no more

more than two legions in that province, but that BOOK their numbers should be filled up so as that each should contain fix thousand foot and three hundred Y.R. 584. horse; and that the rest of the foot and horse should B. C. 168. be placed in the different garrisons; that such men as were unfit for service should be discharged, and that the allies should be obliged to raise another body of ten thousand foot and eight hundred horse. These were assigned as a reinforcement to Anicius, in addition to the two legions which he was ordered to carry into Illyria, confifting each of five thousand two hundred foot and three hundred horse, and five thousand seamen were raised for the fleet. conful, Licinius, was ordered to employ two legions in the service of his province, and to add to them ten thousand foot and fix hundred horse of the allies.

XXII. WHEN the senate had passed these decrees. the conful, Lucius Æmilius, went out from the senate-house into the assembly of the people, whom he addressed in a discourse to this effect: "Romans, " I think I have perceived that your congratula-"tions, on my obtaining, by lot, the province of " Macedonia, were warmer than either when I was " faluted conful, or on the day of my commence-" ment in office; for which I can affign no other "reason, than your having conceived an opinion, " that I shall be able to bring the war in Macedo-" nia, which has been long protracted, to a conclusion " becoming the majesty of the Roman people. " trust, that the gods also have favoured this disposal " of the lots, and will give me their aid in the ma-" nagement of affairs. That some of these conse-" quences will ensue, I have reason to believe; that "the rest will, I have grounds to hope. One thing "I know, and take upon me to affirm, with certain-"ty; which is, that I will endeavour, by every exertion in my power, that the hope which you have conceived of me may not be frustrated. Every

BOOK " thing necessary for the service, the senate has or-" dered; and, as it has been resolved, that I am to Y.R. 584. " go abroad immediately, and I do not wish to de-B. C. 168. " lay, my colleague Caius Licinius, whose excellent " character you well know, will forward every mea-" fure with as much zeal, as if he himself were to " carry on that war. Of you I request, that you " will give full credit to whatever I shall write to " you, or to the fenate; but that you will not, by "too easy credulity, encourage the propagation of " rumours unsupported by authority. For, as the repractice is, at present, and I have observed it to be " uncommaly frequent, fince this war began, no " man can so entirely divest himself of all regard to " common fame, as not to let his spirits be damped. "In every circle, and, truly, at every table, there " are people who lead armies into Macedonia; who know where the camp ought to be placed, what of posts ought to be occupied by troops; when, and "through what pass, Macedonia should be entered; " where magazines should be formed; how provi-" fions should be conveyed, by land and sea; and when it is proper to engage the enemy, when to lie quiet. And they not only determine what is best to be ec done, but, if any thing is done, in any other maner ner than what they have pointed out, they arraign "the conful, as if he were on trial before them. "These are great impediments to those who have " the management of affairs; for every one cannot " encounter injurious reports, with the same con-" stancy and firmness of mind, as Fabius did, who " chose to let his own authority be diminished, " through the folly of the people, rather than to mif-" manage the public business, with a high reputa-"tion. I am not one of those who think that com-" manders ought not to receive advice; on the " contrary, I should deem that man more proud " than wife, who regulated every proceeding by the standard of his own single judgment. What " then

" then is my opinion? That commanders ought to B O O K " be advised, chiefly, by persons of knowledge; by XLIV. those who have made the art of war their particu-Y. R. (84) " lar study, and have derived instruction from ex-B. C. 168. " perience; from those who are present at the scene " of action, who see the country, who see the ene-" my; who see the advantages that occasions offer, " and who, like people embarked in the same ship, " are sharers of the danger. If, therefore, any per-" fon thinks himself qualified to give me advice er respecting the war which I am to conduct, which may " prove advantageous to the public, let him not re-" fuse his affistance to the state, but let him come " with me, into Macedonia. He shall be furnished with " a ship, a horse, a tent; even his travelling charges " shall be defrayed. But if he thinks this too much " trouble, and prefers the repose of a city life to the " toils of war, let him not, on land, assume the of-"fice of a pilot. The city, in itself, furnishes abun-"dance of topics for conversation; let it confine " its passion for talking within its own precincts, and " rest assured, that we shall pay no attention to any councils, but such as shall be framed within our " camp." Soon after this speech, the Latine sestival being celebrated, on the day before the calends of April, and the facrifice on the mount, affording favourable omens, the conful, and Cneius Octavius, the prætor, set out directly thence for Macedonia. Some writers mention, that the conful, at his departure, was escorted by multitudes unusually numerous; and that people, with confident hope, prefaged a conclusion of the Macedonian war, and the speedy return of the conful, to a glorious triumph.

XXIII. During these occurrences in Italy, Perseus, though he could not, at first, prevail on himself to complete the design, which he had projected, of attaching to his party Gentius, king of Illyria, on account of the money which it would cost; yet, when

BOOK when he found, that the Romans had penetrated through the difficult passes, and that the final deter-Y.R. 584, mination of the war drew near, resolved to deser it B. C. 168. no longer, and having, by his ambaffador Hippias, confented to pay three hundred talents of filver*, provided hostages were given on both sides; he now fent Pantauchus, one of his most trusty friends, to finish the agreement. Pantauchus met the Illyrian king at Medeo, in the province of Labeas, and there received his oath and the hostages: Gentius likewife fent an ambassador, named Olympio, to require an oath and hostages from Perseus. Together with him, were fent persons to receive the money; and, by the advice of Pantauchus, to go to Rhodes, with ambassadors from Macedonia. For this purpose, Parmenio and Morcus were appointed. Their instructions were, first, to receive the king's oath, the hostages, and money; and then to proceed to Rhodes; and it was hoped, that, by the joint influence of the two kings, the Rhodians might be prevailed upon to declare war against Rome, and, if they were joined by that state, which was acknowledged to hold the first rank as a maritime power, the Romans would be precluded from every prospect of success, either on land or sea. On hearing of the approach of the Illyrians, Perseus marched at the head of all his cavalry, from his camp on the Enipeus, and met them at Dius. There the articles agreed on were executed, in the presence of all the cavalry, who - were drawn up in a circle for the purpose; for the king chose that they should be present at the ratisfication of the treaty with Gentius, supposing that this event would add greatly to their confidence of fuccess. The hostages were given and received in the sight of all; those who were to receive the money, were sent to Pella, where the king's treasure lay; and the persons who were to go to Rhodes, with the Illyrian am-

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baffadors, were ordered to take ship at Thessalo-BOOK MICA. There was present one Metrodorus, who had lately come from Rhodes, and who, on the au-Y.R. 584. thority of Dinon and Polyaratus, two principal B. C. 268. members of that state, assirtmed, that the Rhodians were ready to join in the war; he was set at the head of the joint embassy.

XXIV. At the same time Perseus sent ambassadors to Eumenes and Antiochus, charged with the fame message to both, which was such as the state of affairs might feem to suggest: that " a free state, and a king, were, in their natures, hostile to each other. That the practice of the Roman people was, to attack kings, fingly, one after another; and, what was more shameful, to work the de-" struction of kings, by the power of other kings. "Thus, his father was overpowered, by the aid of Attalus; and by the affiftance of Eumenes. " and of his father Philip, in part, Antiochus was vanquished: and now, both Eumenes and Prusias " were armed against him. If the regal power. " should be abolished in Macedonia, the next, in their way, would be Asia; which they had al-" ready rendered, in part, their own, under the or pretence of liberating the states; and, next to " that lay Syria. Even already, Prusias was ho-" noured by them, far beyond Eumenes; and alrea-" dy, Antiochus, in the moment of victory, was " forbid to touch Egypt, the prize of his arms." He defired each of them to " confider these mate-" ters feriously; and to guard against future contine geneies, either by compelling the Romans to " make peace with him, or, if they should persist in fuch an unjust war, by treating them as common enemies to all kings." The message to Antiochus was sent openly; the ambassador to Eumenes went under the pretence of ranfoming prisoners. But some more secret buliness was transacted be-VOL. YI. EWCOD.

BOOK tween them, which, in addition to the jealousy and distrust already conceived by the Romans against Y.R. 584. Eumenes brought on bim charges of a heavier nature. B. C.168. For they confidered him as a traitor, and nearly as an enemy, while the two kings laboured to overreach each other, in schemes of fraud and avarice. There was a Cretan, called Cydas, an intimate of Eumenes; this man had formerly conferred, at Amphipolis, with one Chimarus, a countryman of his own, serving in the army of Perseus; and he, afterwards, had one meeting with Menecrates, and another with Archidamus, both officers under the king, at Demetrias, close under the wall of the town. Cryphon, too, who was fent on that business, had, before that, executed two embassies, to the same Eumenes. These secret conferences and embassies were notorious; but what the subject of them was, or what agreement had taken place between the kings, remained a fecret.

> XXV. Now the truth of the matter was this: Eumenes neither wished success to Perseus, nor intended to employ his arms against him; and his illwill arose, not so much, from the enmity which they inherited from their fathers, as from the personal quarrels, which had broken out between themselves. The jealousy of the two kings was not so moderate. that Eumenes could, with patience, have seen Perfeus acquiring so vast a share of power and of fame as must fall to his lot, if he conquered the Romans. Besides which, he saw that Perseus, from the first commencement of the war, had tried every means which he could devise, to bring about a peace, and every day, as the danger approached nearer, his wishes for it grew stronger; insomuch that every action and thought of his was directed to that alone. Then that, on the side of the Romans, as the war had been protracted beyond their expectations, their commanders themselves, and their senate, were not **.**

averse to the putting an end to a war, attended with BOOK so great inconvenience and difficulty. Having difcovered this inclination in both parties, he consi- Y.R. 384. dered, that, from the disgust of the stronger party, B.C. 168.

and the fears of the weaker, a pacification would probably enfue in the ordinary course of things; and therefore he wished to act in such a manner, as might enable him to assume to himself the merit of having effected a reconciliation. He therefore, sometimes, laboured to stipulate for a consideration for not affording assistance to the Romans in the war, either on sea or land; at other times, for bringing about à peace with the Romans. He demanded, for not interfering in the war, one thousand talents *; for effecting a peace, one thousand five hundred †; and, in either case, he professed himself willing to give, not only his oath, but hostages also. Perseus, stimulated by his fears, shewed the greatest readiness in the beginning of the negotiation, and, without any procrastination, treated on the article respecting the hostages; when it was agreed, that, on their being received, they should be sent to Crete. when the money came to be mentioned, there he hesitated; remarking that, in the case of kings, of. their high character, one, at least, of the considerations was too mean and fordid, both with respect to the giver, and still more so, with respect to the receiver. He was sufficiently inclined to purchase a peace with Rome, but declined paying the money until the business should be concluded; proposing to lodge it, in the mean time, in the temple of Samothrace. As that island was under his own dominion, Eumenes faid, that the money might as well be at Pella; and he struggled hard to obtain some part of it, at the present. Thus, after all their endeavours to circumvent each other, they gained nothing but infamy.

> † 299,625l. 123,750L

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XXVI. This was not the only business which Perseus lest unfinished, from motives of avarice; Y.R. 584. when, for so small a sum of money, he might either. B.C. 168. have procured, through Eumenes, a secure peace,. well purchased even with half of his kingdom; or, if defrauded by him, he might have exposed him to public view, as an enemy, laden with the hire of. treachery, and drawn upon him the just resentment of the Romans: but the alliance of king Gentius, when just brought to a conclusion, and the assistance. of a large army of Gauls, who had penetrated through Illyria, and offered themselves to him, were lost, through the same avaricious disposition. these, came ten thousand horsemen, and the same number of footmen, who kept pace with the horses. in their movements, and when any of the riders fell, mounted the vacant horses, in their place, and carried on the fight. They had stipulated, that each horseman should receive, in immediate payment, ten golden philippicks, each footman five, and their commander one thousand. When they were coming, Perseus went from his camp on the Enipeus, with half of his forces, to meet them; and issued orders through the towns and villages near the road, to prepare provisions, so that they might have plenty of corn, wine, and cattle. He brought with him some horses, trappings, and cloaks, for presents to the chiefs; and a small quantity of gold to be divided among a few, for the multitude, he supposed, might be amused with hopes. He advanced as far as the city of Almana, and encamped on the bank of the river Axius, at which time the army of the Gauls lay near Desudaba, in Mædica, waiting for the promised hire. Thither he sent Antigonus, one of his nobles, with directions, that the body of the Gauls should remove their camp to Bylazor, a place in Pæonia, and that their chiefs should come all together to him. They were at this time feventy-five miles distant from the river Axius, and the king's

camp. When Antigonus carried this message to BOOK them, and told them what great plenty of every thing was provided for them on the road, by the Y.R. 584. king's directions, and what presents of apparel, mo- B. C. 168. ney, and horses he intended for them on their arrival. they answered, that they would judge of those things when they saw them; then they asked him, whether, according to their stipulation for immediate payment, he had brought with him the gold which was to be distributed to each footman and horseman? To this no direct answer was given, on which Clondicus, their prince, said, "Go back then, and tell your king, that, until they receive the gold, and the " hostages, the Gauls will never move one step far-"ther." The king, on receipt of this message, called a council; and, as it was very plain what advice all the members would give, being a better guardian of his money, than of his kingdom, he began to descant on the perfidy and savage behaviour of the Gauls. "The disasters," he said, " of many states demonstrated, that it would be dan-" gerous to admit such a multitude into Macedonia, " lest they might feel such allies more troublesome " than their Roman enemies. Five thousand horse-" men would be enough for them to employ in the " war, and, of that number, they need not be " afraid."

XXVII. Every one saw that he seared the paying of a large number, and nothing else; but as none had the courage to declare their opinion, when asked, Antigonus was sent again, with a message, that the king chose to employ only five thousand horsemen, and set no value on the rest of their number. When the Barbarians heard this, the rest began to murmur, and shew a great deal of anger at being brought so far from home, for nothing; but Clondicus, again, asked him, whether he would pay even the five thousand, the hire agreed on. To this

BOOK question, too, he received only evalive answers; on

which, the Gauls dismissing the insidious envoy un-Y. R. 184. hurt, which was what he himself had scarcely hoped, B. C. 168. returned home to the Danube, after utterly wasting fuch lands of Thrace as lay near their road. had this body of troops, while the king lay quiet on the Enipeus, been led, through the passes of Perrhæbia, into Thessaly, against the Romans, it might not only have stripped that country so bare, by its depredations, that the Romans could not expect supplies from thence; but might even have destroyed the cities themselves, while Perseus, by detaining the Romans at the Enipeus, put it out of their power to fuccour their allies. The Romans would even find it difficult enough to take care of themselves, fince they could neither stay where they were, after losing Thessaly, whence their army drew their sustenance, nor move forward, as the camp of the Macedonians flood in their way. By this error, Perseus enlivened the bopes of the Romans, and damped not a little those of the Macedonians, who had placed much of their dependence on the prospect of that rein-Through the same spirit of avarice, he forcement. alienated king Gentius from his interest; for, when he paid, at Pella, three hundred talents to the perfons fent by Gentius, he allowed them to feal up the money, then fent ten talents of it to Pantauchus, which he defired should be given immediately to the king; and ordered his people, who carried the rest of the money, fealed with the feals of the Illyrians, to proceed by short journies, and when they should come to the bounds of Macedonia to halt there, and wait for a message from him. Gentius, having received a small portion of the money, and being incessantly urged by Pantauchus to commence hostilities against the Romans, threw into custody Marcus Perperna, and Lucius Petillius, who happened to come at that time as ambassadors. As soon as Perseus heard this, thinking that Gentius had now laid himself

himself under a necessity of waging war with the BOOK Romans, at least, he sent to recall those who carried XLIV. the money, as if he regarded nothing else but saving Y.R. 384, money for the Romans, that their booty, on his being B. C. 268. conquered, might be as great as possible. Cryphon, too, returned from Eumenes, without having fucceeded in any of his fecret negotiations. The parties themselves had mentioned publicly, that the bufiness of the prisoners was concluded, and Eumenes, to elude suspicion, informed the consul that it was fo.

XXVIII. Upon the return of Cryphon from Eumenes, Perseus, disappointed in his hopes from that quarter, fent Antenor and Callippus, the commanders of his fleet, with forty barks, to which were added five heavy gallies, to Tenedos, that, spreading thence among the islands of the Cyclades, they might protect the vessels sailing to Macedonia with corn. This squadron, setting sail from Cassandrea, steered, first, to the harbour at the foot of mount Athos, and croffing over thence, with mild weather, to Tenedos, found lying in the harbour a number of Rhodian undecked ships, under the command of Eudamus; these they did not offer to molest, but, after conversing with their officers, in friendly terms, suffered them to purfue their course. Then, learning that, on the other fide of the island, fifty transport ships of their own were shut up by a squadron of Eumenes's ships of war, commanded by Damius, which lay in the mouth of the harbour, they failed round with all haste; and the enemy's ships retiring, through fear, they fent on the transports to Macedonia, under convoy of ten barks, which had orders to return to Tenedos as foon as they faw them fafe. Accordingly, on the ninth day after, they rejoined the fleet, then lying at Sigeum. From thence they failed over to Subota, an island between Elea and Athos. The next day, after the fleet had reached Subota, it happened that thirty-five ships, of the kind called horsetransports,

BOOK transports, which had failed from Elea, with Gallie horsemen and their horses, were steering towards Y.R. 584. Phanæ, a promontory of Chios, from whence they B. C. 168. intended to cross over to Macedonia. These were fent by Eumenes to Attalus. A fignal being given to Antenor, from a post of observation, that these ships were passing along the main, he left Subota, and met them between cape Erythræ and Chios, where the streight is narrowest. Eumenes's officers could with difficulty believe, that a Macedonian fleet was cruising in that sea; sometimes, they imagined that they were Romans; fometimes, that Attalus, or fome people fent home by him, from the Roman camp, were on their way to Pergamus. But, when the shape of the vessels, on their nearer approach, was plainly perceived, and the brifkness of their rowing, and their prows being directed straight against the others, proved that they were enemies, dismay seized all on board; for they had no hope of being able to make resistance, their ships being of an unwieldy kind, and the Gauls, even when left quiet, ill able to live at sea. Some, who were nearest to the shore of the continent, swam out to Erythræ; some, crowding all their sail, ran the ships aground near Chios, and, leaving their horses behind, fled in haste towards that city, But the barks landed foldiers nearer to the city, where the access was more convenient, and the Macedonians overtook and put to the sword the flying Gauls, some on the road, and some before the gate where they were refused entrance; for the people within that the gate, not knowing who they were that fled, or who that pur-About eight hundred Gauss were killed, and two hundred made prif ners, Of the horses, some were drowned in the sea, by the ships being wrecked, and others were ham-strung by the Macedonians on the shore. Antenor ordered the same ten barks, which he had employed before, to carry twenty horses of extraordinary beauty, with the prisoners, to Thessalonica, and to return to the sleet as soon as they they could; telling them he would wait for them at BOOK. Phanæ. The fleet staid three days at Chios, and then proceeded to Phanæ, where being joined by V.R. 584, the ten barks, sooner than was expected, they set B. C. 168. Sail, and crossed the Ægean sea to Delos.

XXIX. About this time the Roman ambaffadors, Caius Popillius, Caius Decimius, and Caius Hostilius, having failed from Chalcis, with three quinqueremes, arrived at Delos, and found there forty Macedonian barks, and five quinqueremes belonging to Eumenes. The facred character of the temple, and of the island, fecured all parties from any kind of violence; so that the Roman and Macedonian seamen, and those of Eumenes, used to meet promiseuously in the temple, the fanctity of the place suspending all hostilities, Antenor, the commander of Perseus's sleet, having learned, by signals from his watch-posts, that several transport ships were passing by at sea, went himself in pursuit, with one half of his barks, fending the other half to cruife among the Cyclades, and funk or plundered every ship he met, except such as were bound to Macedonia. Popillius and Eumenes's ships affished such as they could, during the day; but, in the night, the Macedonians, failing out, generally, with two or three barks, passed unseen. About this time, ambassadors from Macedonia and Illyria came together to Rhodes, and the attention paid to them was the greater, in consequence of their squadron of ships cruising freely among the Cyclades, and over all the Ægean sea, and likewise of the junction of the two kings Perleus and Gentius, and of the report of a great body of Gauls, both horse and foot, being on their march. Dinon and Polyaratus, the warm partizans of Perseus, now took fresh courage, and the Rhodians not only gave a favourable answer to the kings, but declared publicly, that " they would put an end to the war by their own in-" fluence; and therefore defired the kings to dif-" pose themselves to accede to an accommodation." XXX.

118 BOOK XXX. In was now the beginning of spring, and the new commanders had arrived in their provinces; Y.R. 584. the conful Æmilius, in Macedonia, Octavius at Ore-B. C. 168. um, where the fleet lay, and Anicius in Illyria, to carry on the war against Gentius. This prince, who was the fon of Pleuratus, king of Illyria, and his queen Eurydice, had two brothers, one called Plator, by both parents, the other Caravantius, by the same mother only. From the latter, as descended of ignoble ancestors, on his father's fide, he apprehended no competition; but, in order to fecure himself on the throne, he had put to death Plator, and two of his most active friends, Etritus and Epi-It was rumoured, that he was actuated by jealousy towards his surviving brother, who had coneluded a treaty of marriage with Etula, the daughter of Honurius, prince of the Dardanians, supposing him to intend, by that match, to engage the nation of the Dardanians in his interest; and this supposition was rendered the more probable, by Gentius marrying her, after the death of Plator, From this time, when he was delivered from the fear of his brother, his treatment of his fubicits became highly oppressive, and the natural violence of his temper was inflamed by an immoderate use of wine, Having been prevailed on, as was mentioned above, to go to war with the Romans, he collected all his forces, amounting to fifteen thousand men, at Lissus. From thence, detaching his brother, with one thoufand foot and fifty horse, to reduce, either by force or terror, the province of Cavia, he marched, himself, to Bassania, a city five miles distant from Lissus. the inhabitants were in alliance with Rome, he, first, fent emissaries to found their intentions, who found them determined rather to endure a fiege than furrender. In Caira, the people of the town of Burnium cheerfully opened their gates to Caravantius, on his arrival; but another town, called Caravantis, refused him admittance; and, while he spread depre-

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dations over their lands, many of his straggling fol- B O O E diers were killed by parties of the peasants. By this mer force fome bodies of auxiliaries, composed of B. G. 1684. Bulinians, Apollonians, and Dyrrhachians, had left his winter-quarters, and was encamped near the river Genusus. Having heard of the treaty between Perfeus and Gentius, and being highly provoked at the ill treatment, offered by the latter to the ambassadors, he declared his determination to employ his army against him. The prætor Anicius, who was now at Apollonia, hearing what passed in Illyria, dispatched a letter to Appius, desiring him to wait for him at the Genusus; and, in three days after, he arrived himself in the camp. Having added to the auxiliary troops, which he then had, two thousand foot and two hundred horse of the Parthinians, the foot commanded by Epicadus, and the horse by Agalfus, he prepared to March into Illyria, where his principal object, at present, was, the raising the siege of Basfania. But his enterprise was retarded, by an account brought him, of the sea coast being ravaged by a number of the enemy's barks. These were eighty vessels, which, by the advice of Pantauchus, Gentius had fent to waste the lands of the Dyrrhachians and The Roman fleet was then lying near Apollonians. Apollonia. Anicius bastily repaired thither, soon overtook the Illyrian plunderers, brought them to an engagement, and defeating them, with very little trouble, took many of their ships, and compelled the rest to retire to Returning thence, to the camp at the Genusus, be bastened to the relief of Bassania. Gentius did not wait the prætor's coming; but, raising the siege, retired to Scodra, with such precipitate haste, that he left part of his army behind. This was a large body of forces, which, if their courage had been supported by the presonce of their commander, might have given some check to the Romans, but, as he had for saken them, they furrendered to the enemy.

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XXXI. THE cities of that country, one after ano-KLIV. ther, followed their example; their own inclinations Y.R. 584. being encouraged by the justice and clemency which B.C. 168. the Roman prætor shewed to all. The army, then, advanced to Scodra, which was the most important place in the hands of the enemy, not merely because Gentius had chosen it for the metropolis of his kingdom, but because it has, by far, the strongest fortifitions of any in the territory of the Labeatians, and is of very difficult access. Two sides of it are furrounded by two rivers; the eastern side, by the Claufula; and the western, by the Barbana, which rifes out of the lake Labeatus. These two rivers, uniting their streams, fall into the river Oriuns, which running down from mount Scodrus, and being augmented by many other rivers, empties itself into the Adriatic Sea. Mount Scodrus is much the highest hill in all that country; at its foot, towards the east, lies Dardania, towards the fouth, Macedonia, and towards the west, Illyria. Notwithstanding that the town was fo strong, from the nature of its situation, and was defended by the whole force of the Illyrian nation, with the king himself at their head, yet the Roman prætor, encouraged by the happy fuccess of his first enterprises, and hoping that things would, in future, proceed in the same train in which they had hitherto gone, and a sudden alarm might have a powerful effect, advanced to the walls with his troops in order of battle, But, if the garrison had kept their gates thut, and manned the walls, and the towers of the gates, with foldiers, they might have repulsed the Romans, and baffled all their attempts; instead of which, they marched out of the town, and, on equal ground, commenced a battle with more courage than they supported it: for, being forced to give way, they crowded on one another in their retreat, and above two hundred having fallen in the very entrance of the gate, the rest were so terrified that Gentius, immediately, dispatched Teuticus and Bellus.

Bellus, two of the first men in the nation, to the BOOK prætor, to beg a truce, in order to gain time to deliberate on the state of his affairs. He was allowed Y.R. 584. three days for the purpose, and, as the Roman camp B.C. 1684 was about five hundred paces from the city, he went on board a ship, and sailed up the river Barbana, into the lake of Labeatus, as if in search of a retired place, where he might hold his councils, but in reality, as afterwards appeared, he was led by a groundless report, that his brother Caravantius was coming, with many thousands of soldiers collected in the country, to which he had been fent. This rumour dying away, on the third day, he failed inthe same ship, down the river to Scodra, and, after fending forward messengers, to request an interview with the prætor, and obtaining his confent, came into the camp. He began his discourse with reproaches against himself, for the folly of his conduct; then descended to tears and prayers, and, falling at the practor's knees, gave himself up into his power. He was at first defired to keep up his spirits, and was even invited to supper; he was allowed to go back into the city to his people, and, for that day, was entertained by the prætor, with every mark of respect. On the day following, he was delivered into custody, to Caius Cassius a military tribune, to which unhappy fituation he had let himself be reduced, for a consideration between two kings, of ten talents, scarcely the hire of a party of gladiators.

XXXII. THE first thing Anicius did, after taking possession of Scodra, was, to order the ambassadors Petillius and Perperna, to be fought for and brought to him; and he enabled them to appear again with a proper degree of splendor. He then immediately dispatched Perperna to seize the king's friends and relations; who, hastening to Medeo, a city of Labeatia, he brought thence, to the camp at Scodra, Etleva,

BOOK Etleva, the king's confort; his two fons, Scerdiletits and Pleuratus, and his brother Caravantius. Anicius, Y.R. 184. having brought the Illyrian war to a conclusion, B. C. 168. within thirty days, fent Perperna to Rome with thenews of his fuccess; and, in a few days after, he sent thither king Gentius, himself, with his mother, queen, children, and brother, and other Illyrians of distinction. It was a singular circumstance respecting this war, that people in Rome received an account of its being finished before they knew it was Perseus, in the mean time, laboured under dreadful apprehensions, on account of the approach, both of the new conful Æmilius, whose threatenings, as he heard, were highly alarming, and also of the prætor Octavius. For he dreaded the Roman fleet, and the danger which threatened the sea-coast. no less than he did the army. Eumenes and Athenagoras commanded at Thessalonica, with a small garrison of two thousand targeteers. Thither he sent Androcles, as governor, and ordered him to keep the troops encamped close under the naval arsenals. He sent one thousand horse, under Antigonus, to Ænia, to guard the sea-coast, directing them, whenever they should hear of the enemy's fleet approaching the shore in any part, instantly to hasten thither, to protect the country people. Five thousand Macedonians were fent to garrifon the mountains Pythium and Petra, and these were commanded by Histiaus, Theogenes, and Milo. After making these detachments, he set about fortifying the bank of the river Enipeus, for the channel being dry, the passage was practicable; and, in order that all the men might apply themselves to this work, the women were obliged to bring provisions from the neighbouring cities into the camp. He ordered the foldiers to bring timber from the woods which were not far distant, and erected on the bank such formidable works, strengthened with towers and engines, as be trusted would effectually bar the passage against any effort of tbe

the Romans. On the other fide, the more diligence BOOK and caution Paullus saw the Macedonians use, the wore askiduously did he study to devise some means Y.R. 584. of frustrating those hopes, which the enemy had not B. C. 168. without reason conceived. But be suffered immediate distress from the scarcity of water, because the river was almost entirely dried up, furnishing but little, and that putrid, in the part contiguous to the fea.

XXXIII. THE conful, after fending to fearch every place in the neighbourhood, and being told that no water could be found, at last, ordered the water-carriers to attend him to the shore, which was not three hundred paces distant, and there to dig holes in several places, not far from each other. The great height of the mountains gave him reason to suppose that they contained in their bowels several bodies of water, the branches of which made their way under ground to the sea, and mixed with its waters; and this appeared the more probable, as they discharged no streams above ground. Scarcely was the surface of the fand removed, when springs began to boil up, small at first and muddy, but, in a little time they threw out clear water in great plenty, as if through the favourable interference of the gods. This circumstance added greatly to the reputation and influence of the general, in the minds of the foldiers. He then ordered the foldiers to get ready their arms, and went himself, with the tribunes and first centurions, to examine the river, in hopes of finding a passage, where the descent would be easy to the foldiers, and where the ascending the other bank would be least difficult. After taking a sufficient view of these matters, he made it his first care to provide, that, in the movements of the army, every thing should be done regularly, and without noise, at the first order and beck of the general. When notice was given to all together, of what was to be done,

BOOK done, every one did not diffinctly hear; and, as the

xLIV., orders received were not clear, some made additions. Y.R. 514. from themselves, and did more than was ordered B. C. 168. while others did less; then dissonant shouts were raised in every quarter, infomuch that the enemy knew fooner than the foldiers themselves what was intended. He therefore directed, that the military tribune should communicate the orders, secretly, to the first centurion of the legion, then he to the next, and that so on, in order each should tell the next centurion to him in rank, what was requifite to be done, whether the order were to be conveyed from front to rear, or from rear to front. He likewise ordered that the centinels on watch should not, according to a practice lately introduced, carry their fhields with them to the posts; for as a centinel did not go to fight, but to watch, he had no occasion for arms; it was his duty, when he perceived anenemy approaching, to retire, and rouse others to arms. They used, he said, to stand with their helmets on their heads, and their shields standing erect before them, then, when they were tired, they leaned on their spears, or laying their heads on the edge of their shields, stood doing in such a manner, that from the glittering of their arms they could be feen afar off by the enemy, while they themselves could fee nothing. He likewise altered the practice of the advanced guards. Formerly, the guards were kept on duty through the whole day, all under arms, and the horsemen with their horses bridled; and when this happened in fummer, under a continual fcorching fun, both men and horses were so much exhausted by the heat and the languor, contracted in fo many hours, that very often when the enemy attacked them with fresh men, a small party was able to get the better of a much superior number. therefore, ordered, that the party which mounted guard in the morning, should be relieved at noon

by another, which was to do the duty for the rest of B O O K the day; by which means they would never be exposed, fatigued, to the attack of a fresh enemy.

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XXXIV. AFTER publishing, in a general asfembly, his orders for these regulations, he added observations, of the same purport with those contained in the speech which he had made in the city, that "it was the business of the commander, alone, " to foresee, and to consult, what ought to be done, " fometimes fingly by himself, fometimes in con-"junction with those whom he should call to coun-" cil; and that fuch as were not called, ought not " to pronounce their own judgments on affairs, either "in public or in private. That it was a foldier's " business to attend to these things: his body, " that he may keep it in perfect strength and agility; " his armour, that it may be always in good order; " and his victuals, that they may be ready in case of "a fudden order; and to rest assured, that all other " matters, relating to him, will be directed by the " immortal gods and his commander. That in any " army, where the foldiers formed plans, and the " commander was turned about, first one way, then " another, by the voice of the idle multitude, nothing "could ever fucceed. For his part," he declared, that " he would take care, as was the duty of a " general, to afford them occasion of acting with suc-"cefs, and it was their duty not to inquire what was it to be done hereafter; but, when the fignal was "given, then to discharge the duty of a soldier." Having thus admonished them, he dismissed the assembly, while the veterans themselves, in general, acknowledged, that on that day, for the first time, they had, like recruits, been taught the duties of a foldier. Nor did they, by fuch expressions only, demonstrate their high approbation of the consul's discourse, but the effect of it, on their behaviour, was immediate. In the whole camp, not one person VOL. VI.

BOOK was to be seen idle; some were employed in whet-XLIV. ting their fwords; others in scouring their helmets Y. R. 584. and cheekpieces, their shields and breastplates; some B. C. 168. fitted their armour to their bodies, and tried how well they could move their limbs under it; fome brandished their spears, others flourished their swords, and tried the points; fo that it could be easily perceived that their intention was, whenever they should come to a battle with the enemy, to finish the war at once, either by a glorious victory, or an honourable death. On the other side, when Perseus saw that, in consequence of the arrival of the consul, and of the opening of the spring, all was motion and bustle among the Romans, as if, at the commencement of a new war; and that their general had removed from Phila, and pitched his camp on the opposite bank, where he employed himself busily, fometimes in going round and examining all his works, with a view of finding some place where he might pass the river, and sometimes in preparing every thing requisite for attack or defence, he exerted him-. self, no less diligently on his part, to rouse the courage of his soldiers, and add strength to his works, on the bank of the river, as if he expected an immediate engage-However, though both parties were full of ardour, they lay a long time, very near each other, without any action.

XXXV. In the meantime, news was received that king Gentius had been defeated, in Illyria, by the prator, Anicius; and that himself, his family, and his whole kingdom, were in the hands of the Romans; which event greatly raised the spirits of the Romans, and struck no small degree of terror into the Macedonians, and their king. At first, he endeavoured to suppress the intelligence of that affair, and sent messengers to Pantauchus, who was on his way from that country, forbidding him to come near the camp; but some of his people had already seen certain boys, carried

ried away among the Illyrian hostages: and the more BOOK pains there are used to conceal any circumstances, the XLIV. more readily they are divulged, through the talkative Y. R. 584. disposition of people employed about the courts of B. C. 1681 kings. About this time, ambassadors came to the camp, from Rhodes, with the same message which had excited so much resentment in the senate at Rome. It was heard by the council, in the camp, with much greater indignation; fome even advised that they should be instantly driven out of the camp without any answer; but the consul told them, that he would give them an answer in fifteen days. In the mean time, to shew how little regard was paid to the mediation of the Rhodians, he began to confult on the plan of his future operations. Some, particularly the younger officers, advised to force their way across the Enipeus, and through the enemy's works. "When "they should advance in close order and make an "affault, the Macedonians," they faid, "would They had been, " never be able to withstand them. " last year, beaten out of many fortresses, much "higher and better fortified, and furnished with " much stronger garrisons." Others recommended. that Octavius, with the fleet, should sail to Thessalonica, and, by committing depredations on the seacoast, make it necessary for the king to divide his forces; so that when, on the appearance of another enemy behind him, he should turn about to protect the interior part of the kingdom, he would be forced to leave a passage over the Enipeus open, in some place or other. The conful, himself, was of opinion, that the nature of the bank, and the works crected on it, presented insuperable difficulties; and, besides its being every where furnished with engines, he had been informed, that the enemy were remarkable for using missile weapons with uncommon skill, and cer-The conful's judgment leaned quite another way; and, as foon as the council broke up, he sent for Scheenus and Menophilus, Perrhæbian merchants.

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BOOK merchants, whom he knew to be men of probity and good fense, and examined them in private, about the nature of the passes, leading into Perrhæbia. They told him, that the places themselves were not difficult; but that they were guarded by parties of the king's troops; from which, he conceived hopes of being able to beat off those parties, by making a sudden attack with a strong force in the night, when they were off their guard. For he considered that " jave-" lins, and arrows, and other missile weapons, were " useless in the dark, when the object at which they " were directed could not be seen at a distance; and "that, when combatants closed together, in a throng, the business must depend on the sword, in the use " of which the Romans had a decided superiority." He resolved to employ those two men as guides; and, sending for the prætor, Octavius, he explained to him what he intended, and ordered him to fail directly with the fleet to Heracleus, and to have in readiness, there, ten days' provisions, for one thoufand men. He then fent Publius Scipio Nafica, and Quintus Fabius Maximus, his own fon, with five thousand chosen men, to Heracleus, as if they were to embark in the fleet, to ravage the coast of the interior parts of Macedonia, as had been proposed in the council. He told them, in private, that there were provisions ready prepared for them at the fleet, fo that they should have no delay. He then ordered the guides to divide the road in such a manner, that they might attack Pythium, at the fourth watch, on the third day. He himself, on the day following, in order to confine the king's attention from the view of distant matters, attacked the enemy's advanced guards, in the middle of the channel of the river, where the fight was maintained by the light infantry on both fides, for the bottom was so uneven, that heavy arms could not be used. The flope of each bank, down to the channel, was three hundred paces long, and the breadth of the channel between them.

them, which was of various depths in different BOOK places, was fomewhat more than a mile. In this XLIV. middle space the fight was carried on, while the Y.R. 584. king on one fide, and the conful, with his legions, B.C. 168. on the other, stood spectators on the ramparts of their camps. At a distance, the king's troops had the advantage in fighting with missile weapons; but, in close fight, the Roman soldier was more steady, and was better defended, either with a target, or a Ligurian buckler. About noon, the conful ordered the fignal of retreat to be given to his men, and thus the battle ended, for that day, after considerable numbers had fallen on both fides. Next day, at fun-rife, the fight was renewed with greater fury, as their passions had been irritated by the former contest; but the Romans were dreadfully annoyed, not only by those with whom they were immediately engaged; but, much more, by the multitudes that stood posted in the towers, with missile weapons of every fort, particularly stones; and whenever they advanced towards the enemy's bank, the weapons thrown from the engines, reached even the hindmost of their men. The consul's loss, on this day, was much greater than before; and, somewhat later in the day, he called off his men from the fight. the third day he declined fighting, and moved down to the lowest side of the camp, as if he intended to attempt a passage through an intrenchment which

XXXVI. Perseus, who did not extend his cares beyond the objects that lay before his eyes, bent all bis thoughts and exertions to stop the progress of the enemy, in the quarter where he lay. In the mean time, Publius Nasica, with the detachment under his command, punctually executed the consul's orders: and. arriving at the appointed bour at Pythium, soon dislodged the guard, which was commanded by Milo, Histigus, and Theogenes, and pursued them down into

stretched down to the sea.

BOOK the plains. This event threw Perseus into the greatest LIV. perplexity, for as the road was now open, be had Y.R. 584. reason to fear being surrounded by the enemy. After B. C. 168. long deliberation, be determined to give battle, and drawing back to Pydna, chose a very advantageous position, and made the most prudent dispositions for ensuring success. Æmilius, being rejoined by the party under Nasica, marched directly against the enemy; and, on coming within fight, was not a little surprised at the formidable appearance of their army, in respect of their numbers, and the strength of the men, as well as the judicious order in which it was formed for battle. The season of the year was a little after the summer solftice; the time of the day was approaching towards noon, and his march had been incommoded by great quantities of dust, and the increasing heat of the sun. Lassitude and thirst were already felt, and both would certainly be aggravated by mid-day coming on. He refolved, therefore, not to expose his men in that condition to an enemy, fresh and in full vigour; but so great was the ardour for battle, on both sides, that the general had occasion for as much art, to elude the wishes of his own men, as those of the enemy. Before the troops were all formed, he urged the tribunes to haften the forming them, went himself round the ranks, and, with exhortations, inflamed the courage of the foldiers for battle. At first, they called to him for the signal, briskly; but, asterwards, as the heat increased, their looks became less lively, and their voices fainter, and many stood resting on their shields, or leaning on their javelins. He, then, without farther disguise, ordered the foremost ranks to measure out the front of a camp, and store the baggage; on seeing which done, the foldiers in general openly shewed themselves rejoiced at not having been compelled to fight, when they were wearied with marching, and with the scorching heat. Immediately about the

general, were the lieutenant-generals, and the com-

manders

manders of the foreign troops; among others BOOK Attalus, who, when they thought that the conful intended to fight, for even to them he did not dif- Y.R. 884. close his intention of delaying, had all approved the B.C. 168 measure; but now, on this sudden alteration of his plan, while all the rest were silent, Nasica, alone, ventured to advise the consul, not to let slip from his hands, by shunning a battle, an enemy, who had baffled former commanders in the same way. "There was reason to fear," he said, "that he would " march off in the night; and then he must be pur-" fued, with extreme toil and danger, into the heart of Macedonia; and the troops must be led about, so under former generals, wandering through the " glens and forests of the Macedonian mountains. " He therefore earnestly recommended to attack the " enemy while he had him in an open plain, and not to lose so fair an opportunity, of obtaining a vic-" tory, as now presented itself." The consul, not in the least offended at the liberty, taken by a youth of his distinguished character, in offering his advice, answered: "Nasica, I once thought as you do now: " hereafter you will come to think as I do. " long experience in war, I have learned when it is " proper to fight, when to abstain from fighting. " It would not be right in me, at present, standing " at the head of the troops, to explain to you the " causes that render it better to rest to-day. Ask " my reasons some other time. At present, you will acquiesce in the judgment of an old com-" mander." The youth was filent, concluding that the conful certainly faw some objections to fighting which did not appear to him.

XXXVII. PAULLUS, as foon as he faw the camp marked out and the baggage laid up, drew off, first, the veterans from the rear line, then the first-rank men, while the spear-men stood in the front, lest the enemy might make any attempt; and lattly, the

BOOK spear-men, beginning at the right wing, and leading them away, gradually, by fingle companies. Y.R. 584. were the infantry drawn off without tumult; and, in the mean time, the cavalry and light infantry faced the enemy in the front; nor were the cavalry recalled from their station, until the rampart and trench on the front were finished. The king, though he was disposed to have given battle that day, without any delay, yet was fatisfied, fince his men knew, that the delay of the fight was owing to the enemy; and he led back his troops, into their camp. the fortifications of the Roman camp were finished, Caius Sulpicius Gallus, a military tribune, of the fecond legion, who had been prætor the year before, with the consul's permission, collected the soldiers in affembly, and gave them notice, lest they should any of them confider the matter as a prodigy, that, " on the following night, the moon would be " eclipsed, from the second hour of the night to the " fourth." He mentioned that, " as this happened " in the course of nature, at stated times, it could " be known beforehand, and foretold. As, there-" fore, they did not wonder, at the regular rising " and fetting of the fun and moon, or at the moon's " fometimes shining with a full orb, and sometimes " in its wain, shewing only small horns, so neither " ought they to construe as a portent, its being ob-" stured, when it is covered with the shadow of the " earth." On the night preceding the day before the nones of September, at the hour mentioned, there was an eclipse of the moon, and the Roman foldiers thought the wisdom of Gallus almost divine: but the Macedonians were shocked, as at a dismal prodigy, foreboding the fall of their kingdom and the ruin of their nation; nor did their soothsavers explain it otherwise. Their camp was filled with shouting and yelling, until the moon emerging recovered its light. Both armies had been so eager for an engagement, that, next day, both the king and and the consul were censured by many of their own BOOK men, for having separated without a battle. The king could readily excuse himself, not only as the Y. R. 584-enemy had manifestly avoided fighting, and led back B. C. 168his troops into camp; but, also, as he had posted his men on ground of such a nature, that the phalanx, which even a small inequality in the ground renders useless, could not advance on it. The conful, besides appearing to have neglected, the day before, an opportunity of fighting, and to have given the enemy room to go off in the night, if he were fo inclined, was thought to waste time, at the prefent, under pretence of offering facrifice, though the fignal of battle had been displayed, at the first light, for going out to the field. At last, about the third hour, the facrifices being duly performed, he fummoned a council, and there, too, he was deemed by feveral to spin out in talking, and unseasonable consultation, the time that ought to be employed in action; but, after many discourses of this fort had passed, the consul addressed them in a speech of the following purport.

XXXVIII. " Publius Nasica, a youth of un-" common merit, was the only one of those who thought we ought to fight yesterday, that disclosed " his fentiments to me; and even he was afterwards " filent, appearing to have come over to my opi-" nion. Some others have thought proper, rather " to cavil at their general's conduct, in his absence, " than to offer advice in his presence. Now, I shall " without the least reluctance make known to you, " Publius Nasica, and to any others, who, with less " openness, entertained the same opinion with you, " my reasons for deferring an engagement. For, " so far am I from being sorry for having rested re yesterday, that I am convinced, that by that means " I preserved the army; and if any of you think this " opinion of mine ill founded, let him come for-

BOOK " ward, now, if he pleases, and take, with me, a " review of the numerous advantages that were on Y.R. 584. " the enemy's side, and the disadvantages on ours. B. C. 168. "In the first place, how far they surpass us in num-" bers, I am fure not one of you was ignorant be-" fore; and yesterday you had ocular demonstration, " when you saw their line drawn out. Of our small " number, a fourth part had been left to guard the " baggage; and you know that they are not the worst " of the foldiers who are left on that duty. But, " supposing us all together, can we believe it a mat-" ter of small moment, that, with the blessing of " the gods, we shall this day, if judged proper, or " to-morrow at farthest, march to battle out of this our own camp, where we have lodged last night? " Is there no difference, whether you order a soldier " to take arms, in his own tent, when he has not, " that day, suffered any fatigue, either from a long " march, or laborious work, after he has enjoyed his " natural rest, and is fresh, and then lead him into " the field, full of strength, and vigorous, both in " body and mind; or whether, when he is wearied " with a long march, and fatigued with carrying a " load; while he is wet with sweat, and while his " throat is parched with thirst, and his mouth and " eyes filled with dust, you expose him, under a " scorching noon-day sun, to an enemy who is fresh, " who has had full rest, and brings into the battle his " ftrength unimpaired by any previous cause? Is . "there any man, I appeal to the gods, so dastardly " and feeble, that if matched in this manner, he " would not overcome the bravest man? We must " consider, that the enemy had, quite at their lei-" fure, formed their line of battle; had recruited " their spirits, and were standing in regular order, « every man in his own rank; whereas we must have " fuddenly formed our line, in hurry and confusion, se and have engaged before the proper dispositions " were completed.

XXXIX. "But, to drop the confideration of the BOOK unavoidable irregularity and diforder of our line, " fhould we have had a camp fortified, a watering-place Y.R. 584. " provided, and the passage to it secured by guards, B. C. 168." " and a thorough knowledge of all the country round; " or should we have been without any one spot of our " own, except the naked field on which we fought? "Your fathers considered a fortified camp, as a har-" bour of fafety, in all emergencies; out of which "they were to march to battle, and in which, after " being toffed in the ftorm of the fight, they had " a safe retreat. For that reason, besides inclosing " it with works, they strengthened it farther with a numerous guard; for any general who lost his camp, "though he should have been victorious in the field, vet was deemed vanquished. A camp is a resi-" dence to the victorious, a refuge to the conquered. " How many armies, after being worsted in the field, and driven within their ramparts, have, at their own " time, and, fometimes, the next moment, fallied " out and defeated their victorious enemies? This " military fettlement is another native country to the " foldier: 'the rampart is as the wall of his city, and "his own tent his habitation and his home. Should " we have fought, while in that unfettled state, with-" out quarters prepared, to what place, then, in " case of victory, were we to retire? In opposition to these considerations of the difficulties and imef pediments to the fighting at that time, one argu-" ment is urged. What, if the enemy had marched " off in the course of last night? What immense " fatigue must have been undergone in pursuing him " again, to the remotest parts of Macedonia? But, " for my part, I take it as a certainty, that if he had " had any intention of retreating hence, he would " neither have waited, nor drawn out his troops to " battle. For, how much easier could he have " gone off, while we were at a great distance, than " now, when we are close at his back? Nor could " he

BOOK What could be more desirable to us, who were Y.R. 524. What could be more desirable to us, who were obliged to attack their camp, desended, as it was, by a very high bank of a river, and inclosed, likewise, wife, with a rampart, and a number of towers, than that they should quit their sortifications, and marching off, with haste, give us an opportunity of attacking their rear, in an open plain? These were my reasons for deserring a battle, from yesterday to this day. For I am myself as much inclined to sight as any; and, for that reason, as the way to come at the enemy, over the river Enipeus, was stopped, I have opened a new way, by disodging the enemy's guards from another pass. Nor will I rest until I finish the war."

XL. WHEN he ceased speaking all remained filent; for some were convinced by his arguments, and the rest were unwilling to find any fault with the proceeding, fince any advantage, then over-looked, could not now be recalled. And, even on that day, neither the king nor the conful was desirous of engaging; not the king, because he had not the same prospect, as the day before, of fighting men who were fatigued after their march, were hurried in forming their line, and not completely marshaled; nor the conful, because, in his new camp, no collection was yet made of wood or forage, to bring which, from the adjacent country, a great number of his men had been fent from the camp. though it was not the wish of either of the commanders, fortune, whose power is not to be controlled by. human schemes, brought about a battle. Somewhat pearer to the Macedonian than the Roman camp, was a river, not very large, from which both parties supplied themselves with water; and that this might be done with fafety, guards were stationed on each bank. On the Roman side, were two cohorts, a Marrucinian, and a Pelignian, and two troops of

Samnite horse, commanded by a lieutenant-general, BOOK Marcus Sergius Silus; and in the front of the camp there was posted another guard, under Caius Cluvius, Y.R. 584. lieutenant-general, composed of three cohorts, a B. C. 168. Firmian, a Vestinian, and a Cremonian, besides two troops of horse, a Placentine and an Æsernian. While all was quiet at the river, neither party difturbing the other, about the fourth hour, a horse, breaking loofe from those who had the care of him, ran off towards the farther bank, and three Roman foldiers followed him through the water, which reached as high as their knees. At the same time two Thracians endeavoured to bring the horse, from the middle of the channel, to their own bank, but the Romans slew one of them, and, having recovered the horse, retired to the post of their countrymen. On the enemy's bank there was a body of eight hundred Thracians, of whom a few, at first, enraged at their countryman being killed before their eyes, croffed the river in pursuit of those who killed him; in a little time some more, and, at last, all of them passed over, and attacked the Roman guard on the other fide. Reinforcements bastened to both parties, and the affair soon became so serious, that the commanders were obliged to risk a general engagement. In the army of the Macedonians there were two phalanxes, the men of one were called Leucaspides, those of the other Aglaspides, or Chalcaspides; and there was also a body of targeteers, formed in the same manner, and carrying the same kind of long spears, but lighter armed in other respects. These three bodies withstood, for a long time, every effort of the Romans; the targeteers even compelled the Pelignian battalions to retire, which alarmed and provoked Amilius, to such a degree, that he tore his robe. At length, observing, that the compact order of the phalanx was not every where unbroken, the variation of the ground, and of their motions, necessarily causing some intervals in their ranks, be ordered his men to watch attentively, and wherever

BOOK wherever they could discern the least opening in the XLIV. phalanx, to force themselves in, with all their might, Y.R. 584. and strive to divide it as much as possible. As soon as B.C. 168. he had issued this order, he put himself at the head of one of the legions, and led it on to battle.

XLI. THE troops were deeply impressed with fentiments of respect, when they considered the high dignity of his office, his own personal renown, and, above all, his age; for, though more than fixty years old, he discharged every act of youth, taking on himfelf the principal share both of the labour and danger. His legion filled up the space between the targeteers and another phalanx, and thus disunited the enemy's Behind him were the targeteers, and his front faced the shielded phalanx of Aglaspides. Lucius Albinus, a man of consular rank, was ordered to lead on the fecond legion against the phalanx of the Leucaspides, which formed the centre of the Macedonian line. On the right wing, where the fight began, at the river, the elephants were brought forward, and a cohort of allied cavalry, and these latter were the first who made any of the Macedonians turn their backs. For as most new contrivances of men make an important figure in words, but on being put in practice, when it is required to produce the effect, not to descant on the method of producing it, prove vain and ineffectual, so, on that occasion, the elephants in the line of battle were a mere name, without the least use. Their attack was followed by the Latine allies, who forced the enemy's left wing to give way. In the centre, the second legion attacked and dispersed the phalanx, nor was there any more evident cause of the victory that followed, than there being many distinct fights, carried on in different parts, which, first, disordered the phalanx, by throwing it into irregular motions, and, at last, quite broke it. For, while it preserves its compact order, and presents a front bristled with extended spears, its strength

ftrength is irrefiftible; but if, by separate attacks on BOOK various parts of it, the men are once forced to turn about their spears, which, on account of their length Y.R. 584. and weight, are too unwieldy to be easily moved, B. C. 268. they are embarraffed in a confused throng; and, if they are alarmed by any affault on the flank or rear, they fall into irretrievable diforder. This was the case now, when they were obliged to oppose the Romans, who, in small parties, and with their line broken into numerous divisions, assailed them in many places at once, and, when any opening was made, worked themselves into the vacant spaces. But had they advanced with their entire line, straight against the phalanx, when in its regular order, they would have met the fate of the Pelignians, who, in the beginning of the battle, incautiously engaged the targeteers; they would have been run through by the spears, and could never have withstood such a firm body.

XLII. But, though the infantry were cut to pieces, on all fides, except those who threw away their arms and fled, the cavalry quitted the field with scarce any loss. The king himself was the first that fled. With the facred squadrons of horse he took the road from Pydna to Pella, and was quickly followed by Cotys, and the Odrysian cavalry. The rest of the Macedonian cavalry, likewise, went off with full ranks; because, as the line of infantry stood in the way, the enemy staid to put them to the sword, and did not think of pursuing the others. For a long time, the men of the phalanx were cut off by the enemy, in front, on the flanks, and on the rear; at last, such as could avoid the enemy's hands, fled unarmed to the sea; some even ran into the water, and, stretching out their hands to those on board the fleet. humbly begged their lives; and when they faw boats coming from all the ships, they supposed that they meant to take them in; whereupon, advancing farther

BOOK ther into the water, so that some of them even swam, xLIV. they belought them to take them and spare their lives. Y.R. 584. But they foon found themselves treated as enemies B.C. 168. by the boats; on which, such as could swam back to the land, where they met their death in another more dreadful way; for the elephants, which their riders had driven down to the shore, trod them under foot, as they came out, and crushed them in pieces. The Romans agreed, that the Macedonians never lost fo great a number of men in any battle; for their killed amounted to twenty thousand; six thousand, who made their escape from the field to Pydna, fell alive into the hands of the Romans, and five thousand were taken straggling through the country. Of the victorious army there fell not more than one hundred; the greater part of whom were Pelignians; but a much greater number were wounded. If the battle had been begun earlier, so that the conquerors might have had daylight enough for a pursuit, all the troops of the vanquished must have been utterly destroyed. As it happened, the approach of night both screened the fugitives, and made the Romans unwilling to follow them through an unknown country.

XLIII. Perseus, in his flight as far as the Pierian wood, kept up a military appearance, being attended by a numerous body of horse, together with his royal retinue; but, when he came into the wood, where there were different paths, and darkness came on, he turned out of the road, with a very sew, in whom he placed the greatest confidence. The horsemen, abandoned by their leader, dispersed, and took the several roads to their respective homes; and a sew of them made their way thence to Pella, quicker than Perseus himsels, because they went by the straight and open road. The king, embarrassed by his sears, and many difficulties, which he met with on the way, did not arrive till near midnight. He

was met at the palace by Euclus, governor of Pella, BOOK and the royal pages; but of all his friends, who had XLIV. been faved out of the battle by various chances, and Y. R. 584. had come to Pella, not one would come near him, B. C. 168. though they were repeatedly fent for. Only three persons accompanied him in his flight; Evander a Cretan, Neon a Bosotian, and Archidamus an Æto-With these he continued his retreat, at the fourth watch; for he began to fear, lest those who had refused to come to him, might, presently, attempt fomething more audacious. He had an elcort of about five hundred Cretans. He took the road to Amphipolis; but, as he left Pella in the night, he hastened to get over the river Axius before day, as he thought that the difficulty in passing it would deter the Romans from pursuing him beyond it.

XLIV. THE conful returned victorious to his camp; but his joy was much allayed by concern for his younger fon. This was Publius Scipio, who, afterwards, acquired the title of Africanus by the destruction of Carthage; he was, by birth, the fon of the conful Paullus, and, by adoption, the grandson of the elder Africanus. He was then only in the seventeenth year of his age, which circumstance heightened his father's anxiety; and while he purfued the enemy with eagerness, had been carried away by the crowd to a distant part. He returned late in the evening; and then, the conful having received his fon in safety, felt unmixed joy for the very important victory. When the news of the battle reached Amphipolis, the matrons ran together to the temple of Diana, whom they style Tauropolos, to implore her aid; and Diodorus, who was governor of the city, fearing left the Thracians, of whom there were two thousand in garrison, might, during the confusion, plunder the city, contrived to receive in the middle of the Forum a letter, from the hands VOL. VI.

BOOK of a person whom he had employed for the purpose, XLIV., and instructed to personate a courier. The contents Y.R. 584. of it were, that "the Romans had put in their B. C. 168. " fleet at Emathia, and were ravaging the country f round; and that the governors of Emathia bese fought him to fend them a reinforcement to ena-" ble them to repel the ravagers." After reading this, he defired the Thracians to march to the relief of the coast of Emathia, telling them, as an encouragement, that, while the Romans were dispersed through the country, they might easily kill many of them, and gain a large booty; and he pretended not to believe the report of the defeat, alleging, that, if it were true, many would have come from the place of action. Having, on this pretence, sent the Thracians out of the town, he no fooner faw them pass the river Strymon, than he shut the gates.

> XLV. On the third day after the battle, Perseus arrived at Amphipolis, and fent thence to Paullus suppliant ambassadors, with the wand of peace. In the mean time, Hippias, Milo, and Pantauchus, whom the king effeemed his best friends, went themselves to the consul, and surrendered to the Romans the city of Bercea, to which they had fled after the battle; and several other cities, struck with sear, prepared to follow the example. The conful difpatched to Rome, with letters and the news of his victory, his fon Quintus Fabius, Lucius Lentulus, and Quintus Metellus. He gave to his infantry the fpoils of the enemy who were sain, and, to his cavalry, the plunder of the circumjacent country, provided, however, that they did not stay out of the camp longer than two nights. He then removed his camp towards the sea, to Pydna, First, Berœa, then, Thessalonica and Pella, and almost every city in Macedonia; successively surrendered within two days. From Pydna, which was the nearest, no deputation had yet been sent; the confused multitude, made

made up of many different nations, and the crowd BOOK of all forts who had been obliged to fly thither, from XLIV. the field, put it out of the power of the inhabitants Y.R. 584. to form, or unite in any delign; and the gates were B.C. 168. not only shut, but closed up with walls. Milo and Pantauchus were sent to confer, under the wall, with Solon, who commanded in the place. By his means the crowd of military people were fent away, the town was furrendered, and given up to the foldiers to be plundered. Perseus, after making a single effort to procure affiltance, by fending an embaffy to the Bisaltians, but without effect, came forth into a general affembly, bringing with him his fon Philip, in order to encourage the Amphipolitans themselves, and to raise the spirits of those horse and foot soldiers who had either constantly accompanied him, or had happened to fly to the same place. though he made several attempts to speak, he was always stopped by his tears bursting out; so that, finding himself unable to proceed, he told Evander, the Cretan, what he wished to have laid before the multitude, and came down from the tribunal. though the multitude, on feeing the king in so melancholy a fituation, and observing him weep in that affecting manner, had joined their groans and tears to his, yet they refused to listen to the discourse of Evander; and some, from the middle of the assembly, had the affurance to interrupt him, exclaiming, " Depart hence to some other place; that the few " of us, who are left alive, may not be destroyed on " your account," Their daring opposition stopped The king retired to his house, Evander's mouth. and, causing his money and treasures of gold and silver to be put on board some barks which lay in the Strymon, went down himself to the river. The Thracians would not venture to trust themselves on board. but went off to their own homes, as did the rest of the multitude of foldiers, the Cretans, only, following the money, in hopes of a share. As any distri-

BOOK bution of money made among them would probably XLIV. raise more discontent than gratitude, fifty talents * Y.R. 584. were laid on the bank, for them to seize as each R.C. 168. could. After this scramble, they went on board, in fuch hurry and disorder, that they funk one of the barks in the mouth of the river by the weight of the numbers which crowded into it. They arrived that day at Galepfus, and, the next, at Samothrace, to which they were bound. Thither, it is faid, the king carried with him two thousand talents +.

> XLVI. PAULLUS sent officers to hold the government of the several cities which had surrendered; left, at a time when peace was but newly reflored, the conquered might suffer any ill-treatment, He detained the king's ambassadors; and, as he had not yet been informed of the king's flight, detached Publius Nasica, with a small party of horse and foot, to Amphipolis, both that he might lay waste the country of Sintice, and be ready to obstruct every effort of the king. In the mean time, Meliboea was taken and sacked by Cneius Octavius. At Æginium, which Cneius Anicius, a lieutenant-general, had been ordered to attack, two hundred men were lost by a fally made from the town; for the inhabitants did not know that the war was ended. The consul, quitting Pydna, arrived, with his whole army, on the second day at Pella, and pitching his camp, a mile from the town, remained in that station for feveral days, which he employed in taking a full view of the fituation of the city; and he perceived that it was chosen to be the capital of the kingdom, not without good reason. It stands on a hill which faces the fouth-west, and is surrounded by morasses, formed by stagnant waters from the adjacent lakes, so deep as to be impassable either in winter or summer. In the part of the morals nearest to the city

the citadel rifes up like an island, being built on a BOOK mound of earth formed with immense labour, so as to be capable of supporting the wall, and secure Y.R.584against any injury from the moisture of the surround- B.C. 168. ing marsh. At a distance it seems to join the wall of the city, but is divided from it by a river, which runs between the walls, and has a bridge over it; fo that, to an attack from without, it affords no access, any where; and if the king chooses to confine any person within it, there is no way for an escape except over the bridge, which can be guarded with great ease. This was the depository of the royal treasure; but, at that time, there was nothing found there but the three hundred talents which had been fent to king Gentius, and afterwards brought back. While the conful halted at Pella, he gave audience to a great number of embaffies, which came with congratulations, especially out of Thessaly. Then, receiving intelligence that Perseus had passed over to Samothrace, he left Pella, and, after four days' march; arrived at Amphipolis. Here the whole multitude poured out of the town to meet him: a plain demonstration that the people of Amphipolis considered themselves not as bereft of a good and just king, but as delivered from a baughty overhearing tyrant. The consul, after a short delay, proceeded, in pursuit of Perseus, into the province of Odomantice, and encamped at Sira.

THE

HISTORY OF ROME.

BOOK XLV.

Perseus taken prisoner in Samethrace, by Æmilius Paullus. Antiochus, on the peremptory requisition of the Roman ambasadors, ceases hostilities against Ægypt. The Rhodians apologize for their conduct during the war; their apologies not deemed satisfactory. Macedonia reduced to the form of a province. Prusias comes to Rome with congratulations, on occasion of the conquest of Macedonia. Recommends his son, Nicomedes, to the protection of the senate; his mean and despicable behaviour.

NEC. 168.

I. NOTWITHSTANDING that Quintus Fabius, Lucius Lentulus, and Quintus Metellus, who were fent with the news of the victory, made all possible. C. 168. fible haste to Rome, yet they found the rejoicings, for that event, anticipated there. On the fourth day after that on which the battle was fought with the king, while games were exhibiting in the Circus, a faint rumour spread itself, suddenly, among the people, through all the seats, "that a battle had been fought in Macedonia, and that the king was entirely de
"feated." The rumour gathered strength, until, at last, the people shouted and clapped their hands,

inquiry to be made for the author of the account, Y.R. 584. which occasioned this sudden rejoicing; but, none B. C. 168.

as if they had received certain information of a vic- BOOK tory. The magistrates were surprised, and caused being found, people's joy, of course, vanished. Although the matter was uncertain, yet the flattering omen still remained impressed on their minds; and when, on the arrival of Fabius, Lentulus, and Metellus, the fact was established by authentic information, they rejoiced on a twofold account; on that of the victory, and that of the happy presage of their own minds. This rejoicing of the multitude, in the Circus, is related in another manner, with equal appearance of probability: that, on the tenth day before the calends of October, being the second day of the Roman games, as the conful Licinius was going down to give the fignal to the chariots to start for the race; a courier, who faid he came from Macedonia. delivered to him a letter, decorated with laurel. As foon as he had flarted the chariots, he mounted his own, and, as he rode back to the feats of the magistrates, shewed to the people the tablets embellished with laurel, at the fight of which, the multitude, regardless of the games, ran down at once into the middle. The conful held a meeting of the senate on the spot; and, after reading the letter to them, by their direction, he told the people, from the seats of the magistrates, that "his col-" league, Lucius Æmilius, had fought a general " engagement with king Perseus; that the Mace-" donian army was totally defeated; that the king i had fled, with few attendants; and that all the is cities of Macedonia had submitted to the Ro-" mans." On hearing this, they testified their joy by an universal shouting and clapping of hands; and most of them, leaving the sports, hastened home, to communicate the joyful tidings to their wives and This was the thirteenth day after the battle was fought in Macedonia.

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II. On the following day the senate met in their xLV. house, voted a general supplication, and ordered, Y.R. 524. that the conful should disband all the troops he had, B. C. 168. excepting the regular foldiers, and those enlisted as feamen; and that the disbanding of these soldiers and feamen should be taken into consideration as soon as the deputies from the conful Æmilius, who had fent forward the courier, should arrive in town. On the fixth day before the calends of October, about the fecond hour, the deputies came into the city, and proceeded directly to the Forum, to the tribunal, drawing along with them an immense crowd of people, who went forth to meet and escort them. The senate happened to be sitting in their house, and the conful introduced the deputies to them. They were detained there no longer than while they gave an account, "how very numerous the king's " forces of horse and foot had been; how many "thousands of them were killed, how many taken; " with what a small loss of men the Romans had " made fuch havoc of the enemy, and with how " poor an attendance the king had fled; that it was fupposed he would go to Samothrace, and that " the fleet was ready to purfue him; so that he " could not escape, either by sea or land." They were then brought out into the affembly of the people, where they repeated the same particulars, and renewed the general joy in fuch a degree, that, no fooner had the conful published an order, that all the places of worship should be opened, and that they should go directly from the assembly to return thanks to the immortal gods, than every temple in the city was filled with vast crowds, not only of men, but of women. The senate, being reassembled in their house, ordered thanksgivings, in all the temples, during five days, for the glorious fuccesses obtained by the conful Lucius Æmilius, and directed facrifices of the larger kinds of victims; and voted, that the ships, which lay in the Tiber fit for sea, and ready

ready to fail for Macedonia, in case the king had BOOK been able to maintain the dispute, should be hauled _____XEV. up, and placed in the docks, and the seamen belong- Y.R. 84. ing to them paid a year's wages, and discharged, and, B. C. 168. together with these, all who had taken the military oath to the conful; and that all the foldiers in Corcyra and Brundusium, on the coast of the upper sea, and in the territory of Larinum, should be disbanded; for in all these places had troops been cantoned, in order that the conful Licinius might, if occasion required, take them over to reinforce his colleague. The thanksgiving was fixed, by proclamation in the affembly, for the fifth day before the ides of October, to continue five days, including that day.

III. From Illyria, likewise, arrived two deputies, Caius Licinius Nerva and Publius Decius, who brought intelligence, that the army of the Illyrians was defeated, their king Gentius taken prisoner, and all Illyria reduced under the dominion of the Roman people. On account of these services, performed under the conduct and auspices of the prætor, Lucius Anicius, the senate voted a supplication of three days' continuance, and it was accordingly appointed, by proclamation, to be performed on the fourth, third, and second days of the ides of November. Some writers tell us, that the Rhodian ambassadors had not yet been admitted to an audience; and that, when the news of the victory was received, they were called before the senate in order to expose the ridiculous absurdity of their foolish arrogance. On this occasion, Agesipolis, their principal, spoke to this effect: that "they had been fent by the Rho-"dians, with a commission, to effect an accommo-" dation between the Romans and Perseus; the " war then subsisting being injurious and burden-" some to all Greece, and expensive and detri-" mental to the Romans themselves; but that the " kindness of fortune, terminating the war after anBOOK " other manner, had afforded them an opportunity XLV. " of congratulating the Romans on a glorious vic-Y.R. 584. "tory." To this discourse of the Rhodians, the B. C. 168. senate returned the following answer: that "the "Rhodians, in fending that embaffy, had not been " actuated by concern either for the interests of "Greece, or for the expences of the Roman people, " but merely by their wishes to serve Perseus. For, " if their concern had been such as they pretended, "the time for fending ambassadors would have " been when Perseus, leading an army into Thes-" faly, had continued, for two years, to beliege " fome of the cities of Greece, and to terrify others with denunciations of vengeance. All this time " not the least mention of peace was made by the "Rhodians; but when they heard that the Romans " had passed the defiles, and penetrated into Macedonia, and that Perseus was held inclosed by " them; then, they fent an embaffy, from no other " motive whatever, but a wish to rescue Perseus " from the impending danger." With this answer the ambaffadors were dismiffed.

IV. About the same time Marcus Marcellus, coming home from Spain, where he had taken Marcolica, a city of note, brought into the treasury ten pounds weight of gold, and a quantity of silver, amounting to a million of sesterces. While the consul, Paullus Æmilius, lay encamped at Siræ, in Odomantice, as mentioned above, a letter from king Perseus was brought to him by three ambassadors of mean appearance, the sight of whom, as we are told, excited in his mind such ressections on the instability of human affairs, as caused him to shed tears; that a prince, who, a short time before, not content with the kingdom of Macedonia, had invaded Dardania and Illyria, and had called out to his aid the whole

Baftarnian nation, should, now, after having lost his BOOK army, be expelled his kingdom, and forced to take refuge in a little island, where, as a suppliant, he was Y.R. 584protected by the fanctity of the place, not by any B.C. 168, strength of his own. But when he read the address, "King Perseus to the consul Paullus, greeting," the folly of the man, and his insensibility of his own condition, did away all his compassion; so that, notwithstanding the rest of the letter consisted of entreaties . couched in terms ill suited to royalty, yet the embaffy was difinisfed without any letter or any an-Perseus, perceiving that it was expected that he should now, in his vanquished state, forget his pompous titles, fent another letter, inscribed simply with his name, in which he made a request, which was readily complied with, that some persons should be fent to him, with whom he might confer on the present state and condition of his affairs. Three ambassadors were accordingly sent; Publius Lentulus, Aulus Postumius Albinus, and Aulus Antonius; but their embassy effected nothing. For Perseus struggled with all his might to retain the regal title, while Paullus infifted on an absolute submission of himself. and every thing belonging to him, to the honour and clemency of the Roman people.

V. In the mean time, Cneius Octavius, with his fleet, put in at Samothrace; and presenting immediate danger to Perseus's view, he endeavoured, at one time, by menaces, at another, by hopes, to prevail on him to surrender. In this design, he was greatly assisted by an occurrence, which it is uncertain whether it were accidental, or designed. Lucius Atilius, a young man of good character, observing that the people of Samothrace were met in a general assembly, asked permission of the magistrates to address a sew words to the people; which being granted, he said, "People of Samothrace, our good hosts, is the account which we have heard true or salse, that this island

BOOK " is facred, and the whole country holy and invio-" lable?" They all agreed in afferting the supposed Y.R. 584. fanctity of the place; whereupon he proceeded thus: B. C. 168. " Why, then, has a murderer, stained with the blood " of king Eumenes, prefumed to profane it? And " though, previous to every facrifice, a proclama-" tion forbids all, who have not pure hands, to apes proach the facred rites, will you, nevertheless, se fuffer your holy places to be polluted by the " bloody person of an assassin?" The story of king Eumenes having been nearly murdered by Evander, at Delphi, was now well known through all the cities of Greece. The Samothracians, therefore, besides the consideration of their being themselves, as well as the temple, and the whole island, in the power of the Romans, were convinced, that the censure thrown on them was not understood; they, therefore, fent Theondas, their chief magistrate, whom they style king, to Perseus, to acquaint him, that Evander the Cretan was accused of murder; that " they had a mode of trial established among them, " by the practice of their ancestors, concerning such as were charged with bringing impure hands into "the confecrated precincts of the temple. If Evan-4 der was confident, that he was innocent of the " capital charge made against him, let him come " forth, and stand a trial; but, if he would not " venture to undergo an inquiry, let him free the "temple from profanation, and take care of him-" self, as well as he could." Perseus, calling out Evander, told him, that he would by no means advise him to stand a trial, because he was no match for his accusers, either in the merits of the cause, or He had fecret apprehensions, that in influence. Evander, on being condemned, would expose him, as the instigator of that abominable act. What then remained, he said, but to die bravely? Evander made, openly, no objection; but, telling the king, that he chose to die by poison, rather than by the fword, took measures in secret for effecting his escape.

When this was told to the king, he was alarmed, BOOK lest the anger of the Samothracians should be turned XLV. against himself, as accessary to the escape of a guilty Y.R. 584. person, and he ordered Evander to be put to death. B. C. 168. No sooner was this rash murder perpetrated, than his mind was immediately stung with remorse. He confidered that " he had now drawn on himself the " whole of the guilt, which, before, had affected Evander only; that the latter had wounded Eu-"menes, at Delphi, and he had slain Evander in "Samothrace; and thus the two most venerable " fanctuaries in the world had, through his means " alone, been defiled with human blood." He contrived, however, to avoid the imputation of this deed, by bribing Theondas, to tell the people, that Evander had laid violent hands on himself.

VI. But such an atrocious act, committed on his only remaining friend, on one whose fidelity he had experienced on so many trying occasions, and who, in return for not proving a traitor, was himself betrayed, disgusted every one against him. A general defection to the Romans enfued, so that he was left almost alone, and obliged, in that condition, to meditate the means of escaping. He applied to a Cretan, called Oroandes, who was acquainted with the coast of Thrace, having carried on traffic in that country, to take him on board his vessel, and convey him to Cotys. At one of the promontaries of Samothrace, is an harbour called Demetrium; there the vessel lay. About sunset, every thing neceffary for the voyage was carried thither, together with as much money, as could be conveyed with fecrecy; and, at midnight, the king, himself, with three persons, who were privy to his flight, going out through a back door, into a garden, near his chamber, and having, with much difficulty, climbed over the wall, went down to the shore. Oroandes had fet fail, at the first dusk, as soon as the money arrived.

BOOK arrived, and was now steering through the main for XLV. Crete. Perseus, not finding the ship in the harbour, Y.R. 584. wandered about for a long time on the shore; but, B. C. 168. at last, fearing the approach of day, and not daring to return to his lodging, he hid himself in a dark corner at one fide of the temple. Among the Macedonians, there was a band of boys, of the highest birth, chosen out to wait on the king, and called the royal pages: this band had accompanied the king, in his flight, and did not, even now, defert him, until Cneius Octavius ordered a herald to proclaim, that, " if the royal pages and other Macedonians, then " in Samothrace, would come over to the Romans, "they should have impunity, liberty, and all their er property, both what they had in the island, and "what they had left in Macedonia." On this notice they came over, and made a formal furrender, before Caius Postumius, a military tribune. The king's younger children also were delivered up to Cneius Octavius, by Io of Thessalonica; nor was any one, now, left with Perseus, except Philip his eldest son. Then, after uttering many execrations against fortune, and the gods to whom the temple belonged, for not affording aid to a suppliant, he surrendered himself, and his son, to Octavius. He was put on board the prætor's ship, and, with him, all his remaining money; and the fleet immediately returned to Amphipolis. From thence Octavius fent the king into the camp to the conful, having, previously, informed him by letter, that he was a prisoner, and was on the road thither.

VII. PAULLUS, justly considering this as a second victory, offered sacrifices on the occasion; then, calling a council, and reading to them the prætor's letter, he sent Quintus Ælius Tubero, to meet and escort the king; the rest, he desired, to remain assembled in the prætorium. Never, on any other occasion, did so great a multitude gather about any spectacle. In the

the time of their fathers, king Syphax had been BOOK made prisoner, and brought into the Roman camp; XLV. but, besides that he could not be compared with Y.R. 584. 1 Perseus, either in respect of his own reputation, or B. C. 168. that of his country, he was at the time a subordinate party in the Carthaginian war, as Gentius was in the Macedonian. Whereas Perseus was the principal in this war: and was, not only, highly conspicuous, through his own personal renown, and that of his father, grandfather, and other relations in blood and extraction, but of these two shone with unparalleled lustre: Philip, and Alexander the great; who acquired to the Macedonians sovereign dominion over the whole world. Perseus came into the camp, dreffed in mourning, unattended by any of his countrymen, except his own fon, whose being a sharer in his calamity, added to the wretchedness of his situation. The crowd, which had collected to get a fight of him, prevented his advancing, until the consul sent his lictors, who cleared the way and opened a passage to the prætorium. At his coming, the consul arose, but ordered the rest to keep their feats, and, advancing a little, held out his right hand to the king, at the entrance; when he offered to fall at his feet, he held him up, nor would he suffer him to embrace his knees, but led him into the tent, and defired him to fit on the fide, opposite to the officers, affembled in council.

VIII. HE, then, began by asking him, "what "injuries had obliged him to enter into a war, against the Roman people, with such violent animosity, and to bring himself and his kingdom to the extremity of danger." While all expected his answer, he kept his eyes fixed on the ground, and wept a long time, in silence. The conful, again addressing him, said, "if you had acceded to the government in early youth, I should have less wondered at your not being sensible of the great importance of

BOOK" the friendship, or enmity, of the Roman people: "But, as that was not the case, as you bore a part Y.R. 584. " in the war which your father waged with us, and, 3. C. 168. " afterwards, must have remembered the peace which "we maintained towards him with the strictest sin-" cerity; what motive could induce you, to prefer "war to peace, with those, whose power in war, " and whose good faith in peace, you had so fully " experienced?" Neither questions, nor reproaches could draw an answer from him. On which, the conful added, "Whatever cause may have produced "these events, whether mistakes, incident to hu-" manity, or accident, or necessity, suffer not your " fpirits to be dejected. The clemency of the Roman " people, displayed in numerous instances towards "kings and nations in diffress, affords you not only "hope, but almost perfect confidence of safety." This he said, in the Greek language, to Perseus; and then, turning to his own people, he faid, in the Latine tongue, "Do you not observe this striking instance " of the instability of human affairs? To you young "men, principally, I address the observation. of the hour of prosperity, therefore, we ought neither " to harbour fentiments of arrogance, or rancour; " nor to confide, implicitly, in the prefent favour of " fortune; fince we know not what the evening may " produce. He alone will deferve the character of " a man, who fuffers not his spirit to be elated by "the favourable gales of fortune, nor to be broken " by its adverse blasts." He then dismissed the council, and gave the charge of guarding the king, to Quintus Ælius. Perseus was invited to dine that day with the conful, and received every mark of respect, which his present circumstances would admit.

IX. The troops were immediately sent off to their winter cantonments; the greater part were quartered in Amphipolis, and the rest in the other towns in that neighbourhood. Thus ended the war between the

the Romans and Perfeus, which had lasted, without BOOK intermission, four years; and thus ended a kingdom, long renowned through a great part of Europe, and Y.R. 584. throughout all Asia. From Caranus, their first king, B. C. 168. they reckoned Perseus the fortieth. Perseus came to the crown, in the consulate of Quintus Fulvius and Lucius Manlius; received the title of king from the senate in that of Marcus Junius and Aulus Manlius, and reigned eleven years. The fame of the Macedonians was but obscure, until the reign of Philip, son of Amyntas; and though, in his time, and by his means, it began to increase, yet it was still confined within the limits of Europe, extending only to all Greece, with a part of Thrace, and Illvria. Afterwards, their force poured down like a deluge on Asia; and, in the thirteen years of the reign of Alexander, first, reduced under the dominion of Macedonia all that almost immense tract which had constituted the empire of the Persians, and then overspread the Arabias, and India, as far as where the Red Sea forms the utmost boundary of the earth. At that time, the fame of the Macedonians was at the highest; and their empire was the greatest in the world; but afterwards, on the death of Alexander, it was torn asunder into a number of kingdoms, each of his fucceffors struggling to grasp power to himself, and thereby dismembering the whole. From the time of its highest elevation to this its final downfal, it stood one hundred and fifty years.

X. WHEN the news of the victory, obtained by the Romans, was carried into Asia, Antenor, who May, with a fleet of small vessels, at Phanæ, sailed over thence to Cassandrea; and Casus Popillius, who staid at Delos to protect the ships bound to Macedonia, learning that the war there was at an end, and that the enemy's fleet had lest its station, sent home the Athenian squadron, and proceeded on his voyage for Egypt, to sinish the business of the embassy, with vol. vi.

BOOK which he was charged; for he wished to meet Anv. tiochus before he should approach the walls of Alex-Y.R. 584. andria. When the ambassadors, sailing along the B. C. 168. coast of Asia, arrived at Loryma, a port somewhat more than twenty miles from Rhodes, and just opposite to that city, they were met by some of the principal Rhodians, for the news of the victory had by this time reached them too, who befought them, "to fail over to Rhodes; for it was of the utmost " consequence to the character and well-being of "their state that they should, in person, inform them-" felves of what had been done, and what was then " passing at Rhodes; and should carry intelligence et to Rome, founded on their own knowledge. " and not on vague reports." After refuling for a long time, they were at length prevailed on to fubmit to a short delay of their voyage, for the fake of the fafety of an allied city. When they came to Rhodes, the same persons, by urgent entreaties, persuaded them to be present at a general affembly. The arrival of the ambassadors rather heightened, than allayed, the fears of the public. For Popillius enumerated all the hoftile expressions and actions, both of the community, and of individuals, during the war; and, being naturally of an auftere temper, he magnified the atrociousness of the matters which he mentioned, by the sternness of his countenance, and the harshness of his tone of voice: fo that, as he had no cause of personal quarrel with their state, people judged, from the austerity of one Roman fenator, what was the disposition of the whole fenate towards them. Caius Decimius spoke with more moderation; and, respecting most of the particulars mentioned by Popillius, he afferted that "the " blame lay, not on the nation, but on a few incen-"diary ringleaders of the populace, who, employ-" ing their tongues for hire, procured the passing of " feveral decrees, full of flattery towards the king; " and had fent feveral embassies, which always exso cited, in the minds of the Rhodians, both shame

and forrow, all which proceedings, however, if BOOK the people were disposed to act properly, would XLV. fall on the heads of the guilty." His discourse Y.R. 584. gave great satisfaction, not only, because it extenu- B.C. 168. ated the guilt of the community, but because it threw the whole blame on the authors of their misconduct. When, therefore, their own magistrates spoke in answer to the Romans, the people were not so well pleased with those who endeavoured to exculpate them, in some measure, from the charges advanced by Popillius, as with those who advised to concur with the opinion of Decimius, and expiate their fault by the punishment of the chief offenders. decree was therefore immediately passed, that all who should be convicted of having, in any instance, spoken or acted in favour of Perseus, against the Romans, should be condemned to die. Several of those concerned, had left the city on the arrival of the Romans; others put an end to their own lives. The ambassadors staid only five days at Rhodes, and then proceeded to Alexandria; but the trials instituted, pursuant to the decree passed in their presence, were still carried on at Rhodes, with the same activity; and this perseverance of the Rhodians, in the execution of that buliness, was entirely owing to the mild behaviour of Decimius.

XI. In the mean time, Antiochus, after a fruitless attempt on the walls of Alexandria, had retired; and being now master of all the rest of Egypt, he lest, at Memphis, the elder Ptolemy, whose settlement on the throne was the pretended object of his armament, though, in reality, he meant to attack him, as soon as he should have vanquished his competitors; and, then, he led back his army into Syria. Ptolemy, who was not unapprised of this his intention, conceived hopes, that, while he held his younger brother under terror, and in dread of a siege, he might be able-to manage matters so as to procure admittance BOOK admittance into Alexandria, provided his fifter fa-

voured the defign, and his brother's friends did not Y.R. 584. oppose it. Accordingly, he never ceased sending B. C. 168. proposals, to his fifter, first, and then, to his brother and his friends, until he effected an accommodation with them. His suspicions of Antiochus were corroborated by this circumstance, that, when he gave him possession of the rest of Egypt, he lest a strong garrison in Pelusium: a plain proof that he kept that key of Egypt in his hands, in order that he might be able, whenever he pleafed, to introduce an army, again, into the country; and he forefaw, that the final issue of a civil war with his brother, must be, that the conqueror, thoroughly weakened by the contest, would be utterly unable to contend with Antiochus. In these prudent observations of the elder brother, the younger, and those about him, concurred; and their fifter greatly promoted. the negotiation, both by her advice and entreaties. A friendly accommodation, therefore, took place, to the satisfaction of all the parties, and the elder Ptolemy was received in Alexandria. Nor was this unpleasing, even to the populace; who, during the war, had been severely distressed by a general scarcity, not only in consequence of the siege, but, after the enemy had retired, by all communication with every part of Egypt, being shut up. Although it was reasonable to suppose, that Antiochus would be rejoiced at these events, if he had really marched his army into Egypt, for the purpose of reinstating Ptolemy on the throne, the plaulible pretext which he had professed to all the states of Asia and Greece, in his answers to their embassies, and in the letters that he wrote; yet, he was so highly offended, that he prepared to make war on the two brothers, with much greater acrimony and fury of refentment, than he had shewn against the one. He instantly sent his fleet to Cyprus; and, as foon as the spring appeared, putting himself at the head of his army, he directed

his route towards Egypt, and advanced into Coele-BOOK fyria. Near Rhinocolura, he was met by ambassadors XLV. from Ptolemy, who gave him thanks for the assist- Y.R. 584. ance, by means of which he had recovered the B. C. 168. throne of his ancestors; and he requested him to fecure to him the enjoyment of the benefit, which he had himself conferred; and rather to signify what he wished to be done, than from an ally to become an enemy, and proceed by force of arms. To this he answered, that " he would neither recall his fleet, " nor stop the march of his army, on any other con-" ditions, than that all Cyprus and the city of Pelu-" fium, together with the lands adjoining the Pelu-" fian mouth of the Nile, should be ceded to him;" and he even named a particular day, on or before which he expected to receive an answer, that these terms were complied with.

XII. When the time fixed for the suspension of hostilities, was elapsed, be ordered the commanders of his fleet to fail up the mouth of the Nile to Pelufium, while be bimself entered Egypt, through the deferts of Arabia, and was amicably received by the people about Memphis, as he was, afterwards, by the rest of the Egyptians; some being led by inclination, others by fear; and he proceeded thus, by short marches, down to Alexandria. He had just crossed the river at Eleufine, four miles from Alexandria, when he was met by the Roman ambassadors, their coming, he faluted them, and held out his right hand to Popillius; but Popillius putting into his hand a written tablet, desired him, first, to read that. When he had read it, he faid, that he would call his friends together, and confult what was to be done: on which Popillius, with that roughness which generally marked his character, drew a line round the king, with a wand which he held in his hand, and faid, " Before you go out of that circle, give fuch " an answer as I may report to the senate." nished

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BOOK nished at such a peremptory injunction, the king hesitated for some time; but, at last, replied, " I will " do as the senate directs." Popillius, then, thought proper to stretch out his right hand to him; as to a friend and ally. Antiochus having retired out of Egypt, on a day prefixed, the ambaffadors employed their influence in establishing concord among the royal family, on a more firm basis than it had yet acquired; and then failed to Cyprus, from whence they fent home the fleet of Antiochus, after it had already fought and defeated an Egyptian fleet. embassy attracted a great share of respect from all nations; having manifestly rescued Egypt out of the hands of Antiochus, when he had it within his grasp, and restored to the race of Ptolemy, the kingdom of their forefathers. While one of the consuls of this year distinguished his administration, by a glorious victory, the other acquired no new lustre to his reputation, no object presenting itself to call forth his abilities. When, in the beginning of his administration, he had appointed his troops to assemble, he entered the confecrated place, without due auspices; and the augurs, on the matter being laid before them, pronounced the appointment improper. ing into Gaul, he lay encamped near the long plains, at the foot of the mountains Sicimina and Papirus, and, afterwards, passed the winter in the same country with the troops of the Latine allies. The Roman legions staid all the while in the city, because their assembling had been improperly appointed; and the prætors went to their several provinces, except Caius Papirius Carbo, to whose lot Sardinia had fallen; the fenate having ordered him to administer justice, at Rome, between natives and foreigners, for that duty, too, had fallen to his lot.

> XIII. WHEN Popillius, with his colleagues in the embaffy to Antiochus, returned to Rome, he gave information, that all disputes between the kings were

done away, and that the army had marched off, out BOOK of Egypt, into Syria. Soon after, arrived ambassadors, from the kings themselves. Those of Antio- Y.R. 584. chus represented, that "their king had considered B. C. 168. " a peace, which was agreeable to the senate, as " preferable to a victory, how complete foever, and " had, accordingly, obeyed the order of the Roman " ambassadors, as implicitly, as if it had been a man-" date of the gods." They then offered his congratulations, on their victory, " to which," they faid, " the king would have contributed with his utmost " power, if he had received any orders to act." The ambaffadors of Ptolemy, in the joint names of that prince and Cleopatra, presented their thanks, and acknowledged, that "they were more indebted " to the senate and people of Rome, than to their " own parents, more than to the immortal gods; " fince, through their intervention, they had been " relieved from a most distressing siege, and had re-" covered the kingdom of their fathers, when it " was almost entirely lost." The senate answered the ambassadors of Antiochus, " that he had acted " rightly and properly, in complying with the de-" mand of the ambaffadors; and that his conduct " was pleafing to the senate and people of Rome." To Ptolemy and Cleopatra, king and queen of Egypt, they answered, that " the senate rejoiced " very much, at having been, in any degree, in-" strumental to their benefit and advantage; and " would take care, that they should always have "s reason to account the good faith of the Roman " people the strongest support of their kingdom." Caius Papirius, the prætor, was commissioned to fend the usual presents to the ambassadors. A letter now arrived from Macedonia, which greatly added to the public joy, as it brought information, that " king Perseus was in the hands of the consul." After the ambassadors were dismissed, the senate gave hearing to a controversy, between deputies from Pisa, and others from Luna; the former complaining

THE HISTORY BOOK plaining that they were dispossessed of their lands, by the Roman colonists; while the latter insisted, that Y.R. 584. the lands in question had been marked out to them, B. C. 168. by the triumvirs. The senate sent five commissioners to examine and fix the boundaries, Quintus Fabius Buteo, Publius Cornelius Blasio, Tiberius Sempronius Musca, Lucius Nævius Balbus, and Caius Appuleius Saturninus. A joint embassy from the three brothers, Eumenes, Attalus, and Athenæus, came with congratulations on the victory; and Masgaba, son of king Masinissa, having landed at Puteoli, Lucius Manlius, the quæstor, was immediately dispatched with money to meet him, and conduct him to Rome at the public expence. As foon as he arrived, the fenate was affembled to give him audience. This young prince spoke in such a strain, as to enhance the value of fervices, in themselves meritorious, by the engaging manner in which he mentioned them. He recounted what numbers of foot and horse, how many elephants, and what quantities of corn, his father had fent into Macedonia, during the last four years. But there were two things," he faid, " that " made him blush; one, the senate having sent, by " their ambassadors, a request, instead of an order, " to furnish necessaries for their army: the other, " their having fent money, in payment for the corn. " Masinissa well remembered, that the kingdom, " which he held, had been acquired, and verygreat-" ly augmented, by the Roman people; and, con-" tenting himself with the management of it, acknowledged the right and sovereignty to be vested " in those who granted it to him. It became them, " therefore, to take whatever grew in the country, " and not to ask from him, nor to purchase, any " of the produce of lands granted by themselves. "Whatever remained, after supplying the Roman " people, Masinissa thought fully sufficient for him-" self. These were the instructions, he said, which

" he had received from his father, at parting; but

"he was, afterwards, overtaken by some horsemen, BOOK who brought him an account of Macedonia being conquered, and directions to congratulate the Y.R.584. see senate; and, also, orders to acquaint them, that his B.C.168. see father was so overjoyed at that event, that he wished to come to Rome, and, in the Capitol, to offer thanks to Jupiter, supremely good and great; he requested, therefore, that, if it were not disagree— able, the senate would give him their permission."

XIV. THE prince was answered, that "the con-" duct of his father, Masinissa, was such as became " a prince of a benevolent and grateful disposition, " as his manner of performing the kindness due to " his friends, added value and dignity to it. " the Roman people had been faithfully and bravely " affisted by him, in the Carthaginian war; that, by " the favour of the Roman people, he had obtained " his kingdom; and that he had, afterwards, in the " fuccessive wars with the three kings, discharged, " with his usual spirit, every duty of a friend. "That it was no matter of surprise to them, that the " success of the Roman people should give joy to " a king, who had fo intimately blended his own " interests, and those of his kingdom, with those " of the Romans. That they wished him to return " thanks, for the success of the Roman people, in the temples of his own country, and that his fon " might do the same in his stead at Rome; as he " had already done enough, in the way of congra-" tulation, both in his own name, and in his father's. "But that the senate were of opinion, that his leav-" ing his own kingdom, and going out of Africa, " besides its being inconvenient to himself, might rove detrimental to the Roman people." On Masgaba making a request, that Hanno, son of Hamilcar, might be brought to Rome as a hostage, in the place of some other, the senate replied, that they could not reasonably require hostages from the Carthaginians,

BOOK ginians, at the choice of any other person. The questxLv. tor was ordered, by a vote of the senate, to pur-V.R. 584. chase presents for the young prince, to the value of B. C. 168, one hundred pounds weight of filver, to accompany him to Puteoli, to defray all his expences while he staid in Italy, and to hire two ships to carry him and his retinue to Africa; and every one of his attendants, both freemen and flaves, received presents of clothes. Soon after this, a letter was brought, concerning Masinissa's other son, Misagenes, stating that, after the conquest of Perseus, he was directed, by Lucius Paulus, to go home, with his horsemen, to Africa: and that, while he was on his voyage in the Adriatic Sea, his fleet was dispersed, and himself, in a bad state of health, driven into Brundusium with only three ships. Lucius Stertinius, the quæstor, was fent to him, to Brundusium, with presents of the same kind with those given to his brother at Rome, and he was ordered to provide lodgings for the prince and his retinue, and every thing necessary for his bealth and convenience.

The fons of freedmen had been enrolled in the four city tribes, excepting such as had a son more than five years old; all these the censors, in pursuance of a decree of the senate, ordered to be surveyed in the tribe wherein they had been surveyed the year before; and such as had a farm, or farms, in the country, exceeding in value thirty thousand sessenger serves allowed the privilege of being included in the country tribes. Though this reservation was made in their favour, yet Claudius still insisted, that a censor could not, without an order of the peo-

" ple, take away from any man, and much less from a whole class of men, the right of suffrage. For though he can remove a man from his tribe, BOOK " which is nothing more than ordering him to se change his tribe; ye he cannot, therefore, re- Y.R. 584. move him out of all the thirty-five tribes; which B. C. 168. " would be to strip him of the rights of a citizen. " and of liberty; not to fix where he should be sur-" veyed, but to exclude him from the furvey." These points the censors discussed between themfelves, and at last came to this compromise: that, out of the four city tribes, they should, openly, in the court of the temple of liberty, felect one by lot, in which they should include all those who had ever been in servitude. The lot fell on the Æsquiline tribe; and Tiberius Gracchus published an order, that all fons of freedmen should be surveyed in that This proceeding gained the cenfors great honour with the senate, who gave thanks to Sempronius, for his perseverance in so good a design, and, also, to Claudius, for not obstructing it. These censors expelled from the senate, and ordered to sell their horses, greater numbers than their predecessors; they, both of them, concurred, in removing from their tribes, and disfranchifing, the same persons, in every instance; nor did one of them remove any mark of difference inflicted by the other. They petitioned, that, according to custom, the year and half's time, allowed for enforcing the repairs of buildings, and for approving the execution of works contracted for, should be prolonged; but Cneius Tremellius, a tribune, provoked at not having been chosen into the senate, protested against it. year Caius Cicereius dedicated a temple on the Alban mount, five years after he had vowed it; and Lucius Postumius Albinus was inaugurated flamen of Mars.

XVI. THE confuls, Quintus Ælius and Marcus y.R. 585. Junius, having proposed the business of distributing B. C. 167. the provinces, the senate decreed that Spain, which, during

Y.R. 585. the present governors, Lucius Paullus and Lucius B. C. 167. Anicius, should continue in the government of Ma-

cedonia and Illyria, until, with the concurrence of commissioners, they should adjust the affairs of those countries disordered by the war, and form a new constitution for both kingdoms. The provinces affigned to the confuls, were, Pifæ and Gaul, with two legions to each, containing five thousand two hundred foot, and three hundred horse. The lots of the prætors, were, of Quintus Cassius, the city jurisdiction; of Manius Juventius Thalna, the foreign; of Tiberius Claudius Nero, Sicily; of Cneius Fulvius, hither Spain, and of Caius Licinius Nerva, 'farther Spain, Sardinia had fallen to Aulus Manlius Torquatus, but he could not go to the province, being detained, by a decree of the senate, to preside at trials of capital offences. The senate was then confulted, concerning prodigies which were reported: the temple of the tutelar deities, on the Velian hill, had been struck by lightning; and two gates, and a large part of the wall in the town of Minervium. At Anagnia, a shower of earth had fallen: and, at Lanuvium, a blazen torch was seen in the sky. Marcus Valerius, a Roman citizen, reported, that, at Calatia, on the lands of the public, blood had flowed from his hearth, during three days and two nights. On account, chiefly, of this last, the decemvirs were ordered to confult the books; and they ordered a general supplication for one day, and facrificed in the Forum fifty goats. On account of the other prodigies, there was another supplication, of one day's continuance, and facrifices were offered of the larger victims, and the city was purified. Then, mindful of the gratitude due to the immortal gods, the senate decreed, that, " forasmuch as their ene-" mies were subdued, and Macedonia and Illyria, " with their kings Persius and Gentius, were in the " power

offerings were made in all the temples, by Ap.

" offerings were made, in all the temples, by Ap"pius Claudius and Marcus Sempronius, consuls, Y.R. 585.

on occasion of the conquest of King Antiochus, B. C. 167.
offerings of the same value should then be made,

" under the superintendence of Quintus Cassius and

" Manius Juvencius, prætors."

XVII. They then conflituted commissioners, with whose advice the generals, Lucius Paullus and Lucius Anicius, were to regulate the affairs of their provinces; ten for Macedonia, and five for Illyria. Those nominated for Macedonia, were, Aulus Postumius Luscus, Caius Claudius, both of whom had been censors, Caius Licinius Crassus, who had been colleague to Paullus in the consulship, and then held the province of Gaul, having been continued in command. To these, who were of consular rank, were added, Cneius Domitius Ænobarbus, Servius Cornelius Sulla, Lucius Junius, Caius Antistius Labeo, Titus Numifius Tarquinienfis, and Aulus Terentius Varro. The following were nominated for Illyria: Publius Ælius Ligus, a man of confular rank, Caius Cicercius, Cneius Bæbius Tamphilus, who had been prætor the last year, as had Cicereius, many years before, Publius Terentius Tusciveicanus, and Publius Manilius. The senate, then, recommended to the confuls, that, as one of them must go into Gaul, in the room of Caius Licinius, appointed a commissioner, they should either settle their provinces between themselves, or cast lots, as foon as they could. They chose to cast lots; when Pifæ fell to Marcus Junius, who was ordered to introduce to the senate the embassies that came to Rome, from all quarters, with congratulations, before he went to his province; and Gaul to Quintus Ælius.

THE HISTORY 270 BOOK XVIII. ALTHOUGH the commissioners employed, were men of fuch characters as afforded confident Y.R. 585. hopes, that, guided by their counsel, the generals B. C.167. would determine on nothing derogatory either to the clemency or dignity of the Roman people, yet the heads of a plan of settlement were considered in the fenate, that the commissioners might carry out to them a general idea of the whole. was settled, that " the Macedonians and Illyrians " should be free: in order to demonstrate to all the world, that the arms of the Roman people brought " not flavery to the free, but freedom to those in fervitude; and to convince those who enjoyed " freedom, that it would enure to them safe and er permanent, under the protection of the Roman es people; and fuch as lived under kings, that their " princes, under awe of the Roman people, would " be, at the present, more just and mild; and that, " should war break out, at any time, between their " kings and the Romans, the iffue would bring victory to the Roman people, and liberty to them. " It was also provided, that the farming of the Ma-" cedonian mines, which produced a very large rees venue, and, also, of the crown lands, should be " abolished; as business of that kind could not be " managed without the intervention of revenue farmers; and wherever people of that description " were employed, either the rights of the public " were eluded, or the freedom of the allies destroyed. " Nor could the Macedonians themselves conduct " the business; for, while it afforded the managers opportunities of acquiring prey to themselves,

> "tions. It was, farther, determined, that there " should be no general council of the nation; lest " the perverseness of the populace might, some " time or other, convert, into pestilent licentiousness, " the liberty granted by the fenate, with wholesome

> " there would never be an end of disputes and sedi-

" moderation:

moderation; but, that Macedonia should be di- B O O K " vided into four districts, each of which should " have a council of its own; and that they should Y.R. 585. " pay to the Roman people half the tribute which B.C. 167. " they used, formerly, to pay to their kings." Similar instructions were given respecting Illyria. Other particulars were left to the generals and commissioners; who, by investigating matters on the spot, would be enabled to form more accurate plans.

XIX. Among the many embassies from kings, nations, and states, Attalus, brother to King Eumenes, attracted the general attention in a very particular manner; for he was received, by those who had served along with him in the late war, with even greater demonstrations of kindness, than could have been shewn to Eumenes himself. He had two reafons for coming, both, apparently, highly honourable; one, to offer congratulations, which was quite proper, in the case of a victory to which he himself had contributed; the other, to complain of disturbances raised by the Gauls, so as to endanger his brother's kingdom. But he had, also, a private view; he entertained fecret hopes of honours and rewards from the senate, which yet, he could scarcely receive without a violation of duty to his brother. For there were some among the Romans who gave him ill counsel; and the hopes, which they held out to him, set his ambition at work. They told him, that " the general opinion concerning Attalus and "Eumenes was, that one was a steady friend to the Romans, and that the other was not a faithful ally " either to them or to Perseus. That it was not easy " to fay, with regard to any requests that he might " make, whether the fenate would have more plea-" fure in ferving him, or in hurting his brother; " so entirely were all disposed to gratify the one, and se to grant nothing to the other." As the event proved.

BOOK proved, Attalus was one of those who covet all that hope can promise; and he would have been deluded Y. R. 585. by these suggestions, had not the prudent admonitions B. C. 167. of one friend put a curb on those passions, which were growing wanton through prosperity. He had, in his retinue, a physician called Stratius, whom Eumenes, not perfectly fatisfied of his brother's fidelity, had fent to Rome, for the purpose of watching over his conduct, and giving him faithful advice, if he should perceive his honour wavering. This man, although he had to address cars already prepossessed, and a mind labouring under a strong bias, yet, by arguments judiciously timed, he restored every thing to its proper state, after the case had been almost desperate. He urged, that "different " kingdoms grew into power by different means; and their kingdom, being lately formed, and un-" fupported by any long established strength, was " upheld, folely, by the concord of the brothers; for, while one bore the title of king, and the or-" nament which diftinguishes the head of a fove-" reign, every one of them was king. As to At-" talus, in particular, being the next in years, was " there any man who did not confider him as a king? " and that, not only because his present power was " so great; but because he must, unquestionably, "mount the throne, in a very short time, in con-" sequence of the age and infirmity of Eumenes, "who had no legitimate iffue;" for he had not, at this time, acknowledged the fon who afterwards reigned: "To what purpose, then, employ vio-" lence, to attain what must soon come to him of "itself? Besides, a new storm had fallen on the " kingdom, from the infurrection of the Gauls, " which the most perfect harmony and union of the " brothers would scarce enable them to withstand. "But if, to a foreign war, diffensions were added, " nothing but ruin could enfue; nor would his " scheme

ficheme produce any other effects, than that of BOOK hindering his brother from ending his life on the " throne, and excluding himself from any near pro- Y.R. 585. " spect of ascending it. If both modes of acting B. C. 167. " were equally honourable, either to preserve the "kingdom for his brother, or to take it from him; " yet the honour of having preserved the king-" dom, as it would be accompanied by brotherly " love, would deferve the preference. But, when " one mode of proceeding would be detestable, and " bordering nearly on parricide, what room could "there be for deliberation? For, whether did he " mean to demand a share of the kingdom, or to " seize the whole? If a share were his object, then " both, by the separation of their strength, would " be rendered feeble, and exposed to injuries of er every kind; if the whole, would he then require " his elder brother, reduced to a private station, at to his time of life, and under fuch infirmity of body, either to live in exile, or, in fine, to end his life? "Not to mention the tragical ends of undutiful brothers, represented on the stage, the catastrophe of " Perseus was remarkably striking; who, having, " by the murder of his brother, opened himself a " way to the feizure of the crown, was obliged, on " his knees, to lay it down, at the feet of a victo-" rious enemy, in the temple of Samothrace: as if " the gods, present on the spot, had demanded ven-" geance for his crimes. Those very men," he told him, " who, from no motive of friendship for him, but of enmity to Eumenes, had instigated him to " fuch proceedings, would praise his brotherly as-" fection and firmness, if he maintained, to the last, " his fidelity to his brother."

XX. These arguments determined Attalus. On being introduced to the fenate, after congratulating them on their fuccess, he made mention of his own fervices during the war, and those of his brother, vol. vi:

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BOOK whatever they were; of the defection of the Gauls? XLV. which had lately happened, and which had caused Y.R. 585. violent commotions; and he requested them to send B.C. 167. ambassadors to those people, whose authority would oblige them to defift from hostilities. After delivering these messages, respecting the general interest of the kingdom, he requested a grant of Ænus and Maronea to himself. Having thus disappointed the hopes of those who expected him to arraign his brother's conduct, and solicit a partition of the kingdom, he retired from the senate-house. There have been few instances of any discourse, whether delivered by a private person or a king, being received with fuch a degree of favour and approbation by all who heard it; and prefents and honours of every kind were conferred upon him, during his stay, and at his departure. Of the many embassies which came from Greece and Asia, that of the Rhodians engaged the greatest share of the public attention. they appeared in white, that colour being the best adapted to persons charged with a message of a joyful nature; for, if they had worn mourning, they might have appeared to mourn for the misfortune of Perseus. Afterwards, on the question being put to the senate, by the conful Marcus Junius, the ambasfadors standing in the Comitium, whether lodging and entertainment should be allowed them, it was voted, that no duty of hospitality was due to them. * When the conful came out of the senate-house, the Rhodians told him, that they were come to congratulate the Romans on their late success, and to clear their state of the charges made against it; and they requested an audience of the senate, to which he returned this answer: that "it was the custom of the "Romans both to grant audience in their senate," and to perform other acts of kindness and hospi-" tality to their friends and allies; but that the conduct of the Rhodians, in the late war, had not en-" titled them to be ranked in the number of friends themselves on the ground, and besought the consul, and all present, not to suffer new and salse imputations to operate more powerfully to their prejudice, than their long course of services, known to all present, in their savour. They immediately assumed a mourning dress, and, going round to the houses of the principal men, supplicated, with prayers and tears, that their cause might be heard before they were condemned.

XXI. Marcus Iuvencius Thalna, the prætor who had the jurisdiction between natives and foreigners, stimulated the resentment of the people against the Rhodians, and published the proposal of an order, that " war should be declared against the Rho-" dians, and that the people should choose one of " the magistrates of the present year, who should " be fent with a fleet to carry on that war:" he hoped that he himself should be the person chosen. This proceeding was opposed by two of the plebeian tribunes, Marcus Antonius and Marcus Pomponius. But the prætor, on his part, commenced the buliness in a manner highly unprecedented, and of very pernicious tendency; for, without first consulting the senate, and without acquainting the consuls, of his own fole judgment he proposed to the people the question, "Was it their will and order that war " should be declared against the Rhodians?" whereas, it had ever, until then, been the practice, first to take the judgment of the senate concerning a war, and then to lay the business before the people. On the other fide, the plebeian tribunes apposed this priceeding; although it was a received rule, that no tribune should protest against a resolution until opportunity was given to private citizens to argue for and against it: in consequence of which it had often happened that some, who had professed no intention of protesting, discovered improprieties in the resoluBOOK tion from the discourses of those who opposed it, and therefore did protest; and some, who came Y.R. 585. avowedly to protest, dropped the intention, being B.C. 167. convinced by the arguments adduced in savour of it. On this occasion, the prætor and tribunes vied with each other in doing every thing out of time. While the tribunes blamed the hasty proceeding of the prætor, they imitated the example by a premature protest. The only pretence they alleged for it was, the necessity of adjourning the business of the Rhodians until the general, and the ten commissioners, should arrive from Macedonia.

XXII. 🔹 "Whether we have transgressed, or not, is yet " doubtful; meanwhile, we suffer punishments and " disgraces of all forts. In former times, when we " visited Rome, after the conquest of Carthage, " after the defeat of Philip, and after that of An-"tiochus, we were escorted from a lodging, fur-" nished us by the public, into the senate-house, to " present our congratulations to you, Conscript Fa-"thers; and, from the senate-house to the Capitol, " carrying offerings to your gods. But now, from " a vile and filthy inn, where scarcely could we get " a reception for our money, treated as enemies, and forbid to lodge within the city, we come, in " this squalid dress, to the Roman senate-house: " we, Rhodians, on whom, a short time ago, you " bestowed the provinces of Lycia and Caria; on " whom you conferred the most ample rewards and "honours. Even the Macedonians and Illyrians, " you order, as we hear, to be free; though they were in servitude before they waged war with you. " Not that we envy the good fortune of any; on " the contrary, we acknowledge therein the usual

[†] The beginning of this speech of Aftymedes, chief of the Rhodian embasiy, is lost.

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" clemency of the Roman people. But will you B O O K " convert, from allies into enemies, the Rhodians, _ " who, during the war, have maintained the strictest Y.R. 585. neutrality? You are the same Romans, who boast B. C. 167. "that your wars are therefore successful, because " they are just; who glory, not so much in the issue " of them, because you are victorious; as in the " commencement of them, because undertaken not " without eause. Their having attacked Messana, " in Sicily, was the cause of your war with the Car-" thaginians; an attack on Athens, an attempt to " reduce Greece to flavery, and giving affiftance of " men and money to Hannibal, occasioned one with " Philip; Antiochus, on the invitation of the Æto-" lians, your enemies, came over, in person, with a " fleet, from Asia to Greece; and, by seizing De-"metrias, Chalcis, and the streight of Thermo-" pylæ, endeavoured to disposses you of a part of " your empire. The cause of your war with Per-" feus was, his attacks on your allies, and his put-" ting to death the princes and leading members of " some nation or states. But, if we are doomed to " ruin, to what cause will our missortune be ascribed? " I do not, yet, separate the cause of the state from " that of our countrymen, Polyaratus and Dino, and " the others, whom we have brought hither in order " to deliver them into your hands. But sup, osing " every one of us, Rhodians, equally guilty, I ask "what was our crime with respect to the late war? "We favoured the interest of Perseus, and we sup-" ported that prince against you, in like manner, as, " in the wars of Antiochus and Philip, we supported " you against those kings. Now, in what manner we are accustomed to assist our allies, and with " what vigour to conduct wars, ask Caius Livius " and Lucius Æmilius Regillus, who command-" ed your fleets on the coasts of Asia. " ships never fought a battle in which we did not " co-operate: but we, with our own ficet, fought " one

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XLV." one engagement at Samos, and a second on the coast of Pamphylia, against no less a commander than Hannibal; and the victory, which we gained than Hannibal; and the victory, which we gained in the latter, was the more glorious to us, as the loss of a great part of our ships, and a considerable number of the principal young men, in the unfortunate sight at Samos, did not deter us from venturing again to give battle to the king's sleet on its return from Syria. These matters I have mentioned not out of ostentation, that would ill become our present situation, but to remind you in what manner the Rhodians are accustomed to affish their allies,

XXIII. "When you had subdued Philip and. " Antiochus, we received from you very ample re-" wards. If the same fortune, which the savour of "the gods, and your own courage, have procured " to you, had fallen to the lot of Perseus, and we " were to go into Macedonia, to the victorious " king, to demand rewards from him, what merit " could we plead? Could we say, that we had as-" fifted him with money, or with corn; with land " or sea forces? What garrison, could we say, that " we had defended; where allege that we had fought " either under his generals, or by ourselves? If he " should ask, where was there a soldier, where a ship " of ours, in any place, where his forces acted; what answer could we give? Perhaps we might " be brought to a trial before him, if successful, as " we are now, before you. For this was all that " we gained by fending ambaffadors to both, to me-" diate a peace: that we received no thanks from " either party, and incurred, from one of them, ac-" cufations and danger. Although Perseus might " justly object to us, what cannot be objected by " you, Conscript Fathers, that, at the commence-" ment of the war, we fent ambassadors to you, " promiting supplies of all forts requisite for the

war, and engaging to be ready, on all occasions, BOOK " as in former wars, with our ships, our arms, and our men. That we did not perform this, you Y.R. 585. " were, yourselves, the cause; you, who, whatever B.C. 167. " was the reason, rejected our assistance on that oc-" casion. We have, therefore, neither acted in any " instance as enemies, nor been deficient in the duty " of well-affected allies; which duty, had not you " prevented us, we should have performed. What "then shall we say? Rhodians, has there been no-" thing faid, or done, in your country, which you " disapprove of, and which might give just cause of " offence to the Romans? Henceforward, I do not " mean to defend what has been done, I am not fo " mad; but to diffinguish the cause of the public " from the guilt of private men. For there is no " community that has not, fometimes, ill-disposed " members, and always an ignorant populace. " have heard, that, even among yourselves, there " have been men who worked themselves into " power by courting the multitude; that the ple-" beians sometimes seceded from you, and that you " lost the power of directing the affairs of government. If it were possible for this to happen in a " state where the rules of conduct are so well established, who can wonder at there being some " among us, who, out of a wish to gain the king's " friendship, seduced our populace by bad advice? "Yet their intrigues produced no farther effect " than our remaining inactive, without infringing " our duty. I shall not pass by that, which has " been made the heaviest charge against our state "during the war. We fent ambassadors at the same "time to you, and to Perseus, to mediate a peace; " and that unfortunate undertaking was, by a mad orator, as we afterwards heard, rendered foolish to " the last degree; for it appears, that he spoke in " fuch a manner as Caius Popillius, the Roman amso bassador, woold have spoken, when you sent him

BOOK " to make the two kings, Antiochus and Ptolemy, XLV. " cease from hostilities: But still, whether this con-Y.R. 585. " duct is to be called arrogance or folly, it was the B. C. 167. " same towards Perseus as towards you. States, as "well as individuals, have their different charac-" ters; fome nations are passionate, others daring, others timid; some more addicted to wine, others to venery. The Athenian nation has the characef ter of being quick and bold, beyond its strength, " in beginning an enterprise; and the Lacedæmoer nian, of being dilatory and backward, in entering "upon bufiness, even when confident of success. " cannot deny that Asia, throughout its whole ex-" tent, produces tempers too much inclined to vanity, and that our own manner of speaking is too " much tinctured with vain-glory, which arises from " our being supposed to hold some pre-eminence so above the neighbouring flates; and even that is so owing not so much to our own strength, as to the " marks of honour and effeem conferred on us by " you. That embaffy received, at the time, a suf-" ficient rebuke, when it was dismissed with so harsh " an answer from you. But, if the disgrace which " we then underwent was too little, furely the pre-" fent wretched and suppliant embassy would be a " sufficient expiation for even a more insolent adof dress than that was. Arrogance, particularly in words, moves the disgust of the passionate, and the er ridicule of the wife; more especially, if it be " shewn by an inferior towards a superior; but no " one has ever yet thought it deserving of capital " punishment. It was to be feared that the Rhodians should contemn the Romans! Some men 'ee have railed, even at the gods, in terms too pre-" fumptuous; yet we have never heard of any one 66 being struck with thunder on that account.

XXIV. "What charge, then, remains, of which we are concerned to acquit ourselves, since there has

" has been no hostile act on our part; and that the BOOK too arrogant expressions of an ambassador, though " they deserve the displeasure of the hearers, ought Y.R. 585. not to be punished by the ruin of the state? Con- B, C, 162, " script Fathers, I hear, in your conversations with " each other, estimates formed of the penalty which " we ought to pay for our secret wishes; some asferting that we favoured the king, and wished him "fuccess, and, therefore, that we ought to be pu-" nished with war; others, that we did indeed har-" bour fuch a wish, but ought not, on that account, to be punished by war, since neither the practice. " nor the laws of any state, admit it as a rule, that if se a man wishes the destruction of a foe, though he " does no act towards procuring it, he should yet be punished with death. To those who absolve us from the punishment, but not from the crime, we are thankful; but we lay down this law for 45 ourselves: if we all entertained the wishes imfe puted to us, we will then make no distinction be-" tween the will and the deed; let us all be punished. "If some of our people in power favoured you, and " others the king, I do not demand, that, for the 46 fake of us, who were on your fide, the favourers " of the king may be faved; but I pray you that " we may not be ruined through them. You are " not more inveterate against them, than is our state " itself; and became they knew this, most of them " fled, or put themselves to death, the others have " been condemned by us, and will foon be in your " power, Conscript Fathers. The rest of us Rho-" dians, as we have merited no thanks during the war, so neither have we deserved punishment. Let st the redundancy of our former services fill up the " deficiency of our late inactivity. You have, of " late years, waged war with three kings: let not se the demerit of our inaction, during one of these wars, outweigh the merit of having fought on your " fide in the two others. Set down Philip, Antio-" chus.

BOOK w chus, and Perseus, as three votes; two of them " acquit us, one is doubtful, but rather inclines to Y. R. 585. " our side than otherwise. If they were to sit in B. C. 167. " judgment on us, they would give sentence against " us. Conscript Fathers you are to decide, whether "Rhodes is to exist in the world, or to be utterly " destroyed. The iffue of your deliberations will " not be war; because, Conscript Fathers, though " it is in your power to declare war, it is not in. "your power to wage it, as not a fingle Rhodian " will take up arms against you. If you persist in " your anger, we will beg time from you, until we' " " carry home an account of this fatal embaffy; we " will then, every free person of the Rhodians, both men and women, with all our wealth, embark in s ships, and leaving the seats of our tutelar deities, " both public and private, repair to Rome; where, of heaping together in the Comitium, at the door. " of your senate-house, all our gold and silver, all the public and private property that we possess. " we will submit our persons, and those of our " wives and children, to your disposal; that, what-" ever we are to fuffer, we may fuffer here, and be " far removed from the fight of the facking and " burning of our city. The Romans may pass a " judgment, that the Rhodians are enemies; but, " we have also a right, in some degree, to judge " ourselves; and we never will judge ourselves your " enemies, nor do one hostile at, should we even " fuffer the last extremities."

XXV. Such was their speech; after which they all prostrated themselves again, and, as supplicants, held out olive branches; but, at length, they were raised, and withdrew from the senate-house. The opinions of the senators were then demanded: the most inveterate against the Rhodians were those, who, as consuls, prætors, or lieutenant-generals, had acted in Macedonia, during the war; and the person who

as a senator, on this occasion, with much gentleness Y.R. 585. and mildness. It is not necessary, here, to give a B. C. 167.

was most useful to their cause was Marcus Porcius BOOK

Cato, who, though naturally auftere, acted his part specimen of his copious oratory, by inserting his fpeech, as he has published it himself, in the fifth book of his Antiquities. The answer given to the Rhodians was, that " they should neither be declared " enemies; nor, any longer, be confidered as allies." At the head of this embassy were Philocrates and Astimedes. Half their number, with Philocrates. were ordered to carry home to Rhodes an account of their proceedings; and the other half, with Astimedes, to remain at Rome, that they might be acquainted with what passed, and inform their countrymen. For the present, they were commanded, to remove their governors out of Lycia and Caria, before a certain day. This news was, in itself, sufficiently afflicting; nevertheless, as it relieved the Rhodians from the dread of a greater evil, for they had feared a war, it occasioned even a degree of joy. They, therefore, immediately voted a present, amounting in value to twenty thousand pieces of gold, and deputed Theodotus, the commander of their fleet, to be the bearer of it. They wished to procure an alliance with the Romans; but, in such a manner, as that no order of the people should pass concerning it, nor any thing be committed to writing; in order that, if they should fail of success, the difference of a refusal might be the less conspicuous. The commander of the fleet was empowered, fingly, to negotiate that business, taking care that no order of the people should pass. For, during, now, considerable length of time, they had maintained a friendship with the Romans, without being bound by any treaty; their reason for which was, that they might neither preclude the kings from all hope of their affistance, if any of them should need it. nor themselves from a participation of the advantages

BOOK tages, which might accrue from the good fortune xLv., and liberality of the kings. At this time, however, Y.R. 585. an alliance feemed particularly defirable, not so much \$ C. 167. for the take of fecurity against others, (for, excepting the Romans, they feared none,) as to render them less liable to jealousies, on the part of the Romans, About this time, the Caunians revolted from them, and the Mylassians seized on the towns of the Euromensians. The spirit of their community was not fo totally broken, as to hinder their perceiving, that, if Lycia and Caria were taken from them by the Romans, their other provinces would either affert their own freedom, by a revolt, or be seized on by their neighbours; and that, then, they themselves would be shut up in a small island, within the shores of a barren country, inadequate to the maintenance of the numerous people in fo large a city. therefore, fent out, with all fpeed, a body of troops, and reduced the Caunians to obedience, though they had been joined by fuccours from Cybara; and they afterwards defeated, in a battle at Orthofia, the Mylassians and Alabandians, who, after seizing the province of Euroma, had united their forces and came to meet them.

> XXVI. Such were the occurrences, there, in Macedonia, and in Rome. Meanwhile, in Illyria, Lucius Anicius, having reduced king Gentius under his power, as before mentioned, placed a garrison in Scodra, which had been the capital of the kingdom, and gave the command to Gabinius. He also garrisoned Rhizo, and Olcinium, towns very conveniently fituated, and appointed Caius Licinius commander. Committing the government of Illyria to these two, he marched, with the rest of his forces, into Epirus. Here, Phanota was the first place which submitted to him; the whole multitude, with fillets on their heads, coming out to meet him. Placing a garrison there, he went over into Molossis,

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all the towns of which province, except Passora, BOOK Tecmo, Phylace, and Horreum, having furrendered, he marched first against Passora. The two men, of Y.R. 585. the greatest power, in that city, were Antinous and B. C. 167. Theodotus, who were remakable for their warm attachment to Perseus, and hatred to the Romans: and by their instigations, the whole nation had been hurried into a revolt from the Romans. men, conscious of their own delinquency, and despairing of pardon, shut the gates, that they might be buried under the general ruin of their country, and exhorted the multitude to prefer death to flavery. No man dared to open his lips against men of such transcendent power. At last, one Theodotus, who was himself a young man of distinction, his greater dread of the Romans overpowering the lesser sear of his own leaders, exclaimed, "What madness has " feized you, to make the public accessary to the " guilt of two men? I have often, indeed, heard " mention made of men who offered themselves to " death, for the fake of their country; but never, " before these, were any found, who required that "their country should perish for theirs. Why not " open our gates, and submit to that power, to "which the whole world has submitted?" As he spoke thus, he was followed by the multitude; on . which, Antinous and Theodotus, rushing out on the first advanced guards of the enemy, and freely exposing themselves to their weapons, were slain, and the city was furrendered to the Romans. Through a similar obstinacy in Cephalus, a man in power, the gates of Tecmo were shut; but he was soon put to death, and then the town capitulated. Neither Phylace nor Horreum stood a siege. Having thus reduced Epirus, Anicius distributed his troops in winter-quarters, through the most convenient towns; and, returning into Illyria, held a general convention at Scodra, where the five commissioners had arrived from Rome, and to which place he had fummoned

BOOK moned the principal men, from all parts of the province. There, with advice of the council, he pro-Y.R. 585. Claimed from his tribunal, that " the senate and B.C. 167. " people of Rome granted freedom to the Illyrians; and that he would withdraw his garrisons " from all their towns, citadels, and castles. "the Islans and Taulantians, and, of the Dessare-" tians, the Pirustans, the Rizonites, and the Ol-" cinians, should not only enjoy liberty, but, like-"wife, an immunity from taxes; because, when "Gentius was in his full strength, they had quitted " him, and fided with the Romans. That the same " immunity was granted to the Daorseans; because "they forfook Caravantius, and came over, with " their arms, to the Romans, and that the Sco-"drans, Dassarensians, Selepitans, and the rest of " the Illyrians, should pay half the taxes which they " had formerly paid to their king." He then divided Illyria into three districts; the first was composed of the people above mentioned, the second comprehended all the Labeatians, and the third the Agranonites, Rizonites, and Olcinians, with the contiguous states. Having settled this regulation of affairs in Illyria, he returned into Epirus, to his winter-quarters, at Passaro.

XXVII. WHILE these matters passed in Illyria, Paullus, before the arrival of the ten commissioners, sent his son Quintus Maximus, who was by this time returned from Rome, to sack Agassæand Æginium; the former, because the inhabitants, after surrendering their city to the consul, and voluntarily soliciting an alliance with Rome, had revolted again to Perfeus: the crime of the people of Æginium was of a late date; not giving credit to the report of the Romans being victorious, they had treated, with hostile cruelty, some soldiers who came into the city. He also detached Lucius Postumius, to pillage, in a hostile manner, the city of Ænia; because the inhabitants

habitants had continued in arms, with more obsti- BOOK nacy, than the neighbouring cities. Autumn now approached, and he had resolved to make a tour Y.R.585. through Greece in the beginning of that season, and B.C. 167. to take a view of those celebrated curiosities, of which people's knowledge is generally taken from the reports of others, more than from ocular observation. With this intention, he gave the command of his quarters to Caius Sulpicius Gallus, and, with a moderate retinue, began his journey, in which he was accompanied by his fon Scipio, and Athenæus, king Eumenes's brother. He directed his route, through Theffaly, to Delphi, fo famous for its oracle, where he offered facrifices to Apollo; and observing in the porch some unfinished pillars, on which it had been intended to place statues of king Perseus, he determined, that statues of himself should be erected on them, to commemorate his fuccesses. He also visited the temple of Jupiter Trophonius, at Lebadia; where, after viewing the mouth of the cave, through which people applying to the oracle descend, in order to obtain information from the gods, he facrificed to Jupiter and Hercynna, who have a temple there; and then he went down to Chalcis, to see the curiosities of the Euripus, and of the island of Eubœa, united there to the continent by a bridge. From Chalcis, he passed over to Aulis, a port three miles distant, and famous for having been formerly the station of Agamemnon's seet of one thousand fhips; he then visited the temple of Diana, in which that king of kings purchased a passage for his sleet to Troy, by offering his daughter as a victim at the altar. Thence he came to Oropus, in Attica; where the prophet Amphilochus is worshipped as a god, and has an ancient temple, surrounded by delightful . forings and streams. He then went to Athens, which, though filled with only the decayed relics of ancient grandeur, still contained many things worthy of obfervation, the citadel, the port, the walls connecting Piræus

B O O E Piratis with the city; the dockyards, the montiments of illustrious generals, the images of men and Y.R. 585. gods, exceedingly curious both in respect of the materials, of various kinds, and the skill of the several artists.

> XXVIII. After facrificing in that city to Minerva, the guardian of the citadel, he continued his journey, and, on the second day after, arrived at Corinth. At that time, which was prior to its destruction, that city flourished in extraordinary splendour; the citadel too, and the isthmus, afforded entertaining views; the citadel, within the walls, towering up to an immenso height, yet abounding with springs; and the isthmus, separating by a narrow neck two feas, which almost meet from the east and west. He next visited the celebrated cities of Sicyon, and Argos; then Epidaurus, which, though -not comparable to them in opulence, was yet remarkable for a famous temple of Esculapius, standing at five miles distance, and, at that time, rich in offerings dedicated to that deity by the fick, in acknowledgment of the recovery of their health; but now shewing only the traces of them, on the places whence they have been torn away. Thence he proceeded to Lacedæmon, renowned, not for magnificent works of art, but, for its laws and discipline; and then, passing through Megalopolis, he went up to Olympia. Here having taken a view of other things worthy of notice, and beholding Jupiter in a manner present before him, he was struck with the deepest reverence, and ordered preparations to bemade for a facrifice, with more than ordinary magnificence, as if he were going to facrifice in the Capitol. Thus he finished his circuit through Greece; during which, he never once inquired how any one, either in their public or private capacity, had stood affected toward Perseus, during the war; being unwilling to disturb the minds of the allies with

with any kind of apprehensions. As he was return- BOOK ing to Demetrias, he was met on the road by a XLV. crowd of Ætolians, in mourning apparel. On his Y.R. 585. expressing surprise, and asking the reason of this B.C. 167. proceeding, he was told, that five hundred and fifty of the chief of their countrymen had been put to death by Lycifcus and Tifippus, who furrounded their fenate with Roman foldiers, fent for the purpose by their commander Bæbius, and that others of them had been driven into exile; and that the goods of the killed and exiled were in the hands of their accusers. They were ordered to attend him at Amphipolis, and then, having met Cneius Octavius at Demetrias, and learned that the ten commissioners were landed, after their voyage, he laid aside all other business, and went to Apollonia to meet them. Perseus, being too negligently guarded, had come hither to meet him from Amphipolis, the distance of a day's journey. To him Æmilius spoke with great courtefy; but, when he came to the quarters of the troops at Amphipolis, he gave a severe reprimand to Caius Sulpicius; first, for allowing Perseus to ramble so far from him, through the province, and, next for indulging the foldiers, fo far, as to suffer them to strip the buildings on the city walls of the tiles, in order to cover their own winter huts; and he ordered the tiles to be carried back, and the buildings to be repaired, and put in their former condition. Perseus, with his elder son Philip, he gave in charge to Aulus Postumius, and fent them into a place of custody; his daughter and younger fon he ordered to be brought from Samothrace to Amphipolis, and treated them with all possible kindness,

XXIX. When the day arrived, on which he had ordered ten chiefs from each of the states to attend at Amphipolis, and all the writings wherever deposited, and the money belonging to the king, to VOL. VI.

29`e BOOK be brought thither, he feated himself, with the ten XLV., commissioners, on his tribunal, where he was fur-Y.R. 585. rounded by the whole multitude of the Macedonians. B. C. 167. Though they were inured to the government of a king, yet the tribunal, of a different kind from what they were acquainted with, presented an appearance fo unusual, that it impressed them with terror; the lictor clearing the way, the herald, the fergeant, were all objects strange to their eyes and ears, and capable of inspiring awe in allies, much more in conquered Silence being proclaimed by the herald, enemics. Paullus promulgated, in the Latine tongue, the regulations adopted by the senate, and by himself with the advice of the council; and the prætor Cneius Octavius, who was present, translating what he said, repeated the same in Greek. First of all he ordered, that " the Macedonians should live free; possessing "the same cities, and lands, as before; governed "by their own laws, and creating annual magi-" strates; and that they should pay to the Roman " people, one half of the taxes which they had paid " to their kings. Next, that Macedonia should be " divided into four districts. That one, which should " be deemed the first, should comprehend the lands. "between the rivers Strymon and Nessus, with the " addition of that tract, beyond the Nessus, towards "the east, wherein Perseus had possessed villages, " castles, or towns, excepting Ænus, Maronæa, and "Abdera; and, of the tract beyond the Strymon, " towards the west, comprising all Bisaltica, with "Heraclea, which they call Sintice. That the " fecond district should be the country inclosed by "the river Strymon, on the east, where were ex-" cepted Sintice-Heraclea and Bisaltica, and by "the river Axius, on the west; to which should be 15 added the Pæonians, living on the eastern bank of "the Axius. That the third district should have for " it bounds, the river Axius on the east, the Peneus

" on the west, and mount Bora, on the north. That

"to this division should be joined that tract of BOOK XLV.
"Pæonia, which stretches along the western side of XLV. "the Axius; Edessa also, and Beræa, should be Y.R. 585. " united to it. The fourth district was to consist of B.C. 167. " the country on the north of mount Bora, touching "Illyria, on one fide, and Epirus, on the other. "He then appointed the capitals of the districts, in "which the councils should be held; of the first "diftrict, Amphipolis, of the second Thessalonica, " of the third Pella, and of the fourth Pelagonia. "In these, he ordered, that the councils of the several "diffricts should be assembled, the public money " deposited, and the magistrates elected." He then gave notice, that it was determined, that intermarriages should not be allowed; that no one should be at liberty to purchase lands or houses, out of the limits of his own district; that the mines of gold and filver must not be worked; but those of iron and copper were allowed; and the persons working them, must pay one half of the tax which they had paid to the king. He likewise forbid the importation of falt. To the Dardanians, who reclaimed Pæonia, because it had formerly been theirs, and was contiguous to their territory, he declared, that he gave liberty to all who had been under subjection to Perseus; but to compensate for this refusal of Pæonia, he granted them liberty to purchase salt, and ordered that the third district should bring it down to Stobi in Pæonia; and he fixed the price to be paid for it. He prohibited them from cutting ship timber themselves, or suffering others to cut it. To those districts which bordered on the barbarians. and, excepting the third, this was the case of them all, he gave permission to keep armed forces on their frontiers.

XXX. THESE terms, announced on the first day of the convention, affected the minds of those who were present with very different emotions. Liberty

BOOK, being granted them, beyond their expectation, and XLV. the annual tribute being lightened, gave them Y.R. 185, high fatisfaction; but then, by the prohibition of a B.C. 167. commercial intercourse between the districts, they thought their country dismembered, like an animal torn afunder into separate limbs, which stood in need of mutual aid from each other; so little did the Macedonians themselves know how great was the extent of Macedonia, how aptly it was formed for a division, and how competent each part was to subsist by itself. The first division contains the Bisaltians, men of the greatest courage, residing beyond the river Nessus, and on both sides of the Strymon; it is peculiarly productive of the fruits of the earth, has mines also, and the city of Amphipolis, most advantageously situated; for, standing just in the way, it shuts up every passage into Macedonia from The second division has two very remarkable cities, Thessalonica and Cassandria, and the country of Pallene, abundantly productive of grain and fruits; it is also well calculated for maritime business, by means of its harbours, at Toro, and at mount Athos, (called Ænea), besides others, some of which are conveniently fituated upon the Eubœa, and some opposite the Hellespont. The third district has the celebrated cities of Edessa, Beræa, and Pella; and is partly inhabited by the Vettians, a warlike people; it is also inhabited by great numbers of Gauls and Illyrians, who are industrious husbandmen. fourth district is inhabited by the Eordeans, Lyncestans, and Pelagonians, to whom are joined Atintania, Stymphalis, and Elemiotis. All this tract is cold, and the foil rough, and unfavourable to tillage; and the tempers of the inhabitants bear a strong resemblance to their soil: they are rendered the more serocious by their vicinity to the barbarians, who, by frequent attacks, inure them to a life of arms, and, during peace, introduce their customs among them. Having, by this division of Macedonia, separated the

the interests of the several districts, he informed B O O K them; that the regulations which were to be binding on all the Macedonians in general, should be made Y. R. §8.52 known to them, when the time came which he in- B C. 1674 tended to appoint, for giving them a body of laws.

XXXI. THE Ætolians were then summoned to appear; but in the trial of their cause, the inquiry was directed to discover, rather, which party had favoured the Romans, and which the king, than which had done, and which fuffered injury. The murderers were absolved of guilt, and the exile of the banished was confirmed, as well as the death of the flain overlooked. Aulus Bæbius, alone, was condemned for having lent some Roman soldiers. for the perpetration of the murder. The confequence of this decision of the cause of the Ætolians, through all the states and nations of Greece, was, that it puffed up the party which favoured the Romans to an intolerable degree of arrogance; and subjected to be trodden under their feet, all those who were, in the leaft, suspected of being in the king's interest. Of the leading men in the states, there were three parties: two of which, paying fervile court either to the Romans, or the kings, fought to aggrandise themselves by enslaving their countries; and the third, taking a different course from either, and the struggling against both, stood up in support of their laws and liberty. 'These last had the greatest share of the affection of their countrymen, but the least interest among foreigners. The great successes of the Romans had raised their partizans to fuch importance, that they alone held the offices of magistracy, they alone were employed Great numbers of these, coming from on embassies. the diets of Peloponnesus, Bœotia, and other parts of Greece, filled the ears of the ten commissioners with infinuations, that "those who, through folly, had openly boafted of being friends and intimates

BOOK " of Perseus, were not the only persons who had " favoured his cause; much greater numbers had "done so in secret. That there was another party, B. C. 1671 'ce who, under pretence of supporting liberty, had, in " the diets, advanced every measure prejudicial to " the Roman interest; and that those nations would not " continue faithful, unless the spirits of these parties " were subdued, and the influence of those, who had " no other object than the advancement of the Ro-" man power, were augmented and strengthened." These men gave a list of the persons alluded to, whom the general furnmoned by letter out of Ætolia, Acarnania, Epirus, and Bœotia, to follow him to Rome, and account for their conduct. Two of the ten commissioners. Caius Claudius and Cneius Domitius, were fent to Achaia, that they might, on the fpot, fummon by proclamation the persons concerned there. For this procedure, there were two reasons; one, that it was believed that the Achæans would be apt to shew more courage than the rest, and refuse obedience, and, perhaps, even endanger Callicrates, and the other authors of the charges and informers. The other reason for summoning them, on the spot, was, that the commissioners had in their possession, letters from the chief men of the other nations, which had been found among the king's papers; but with regard to the Achæans the charges were not clear, because no letters of theirs had been disco-When the Ætolians were dismissed, the Acarnanian nation was called in. No alteration was made in their situation, only Leucas was disunited from the council of Acarnania. Then, taking a wider range for their inquiries, respecting those who had, publicly or privately, favoured the king, they extended their jurisdiction even into Asia, and sent Labeo to demolish Antissa, in the island of Lesbos, and remove the inhabitants to Methymna; because, when Antenor, the commander of the king's fleet, was cruifing with his squadron on the coast of Lesbos,

they admitted him into their harbour, and supplied B O.O.K. him with provisions. Two distinguished men were beheaded, Andronicus son of Andronicus, an Æto- Y.R. 585. lian, because, accompanying his father, he had born B. C. 167. arms against the Roman people; and Neo, a Theban, by whose advice, his countrymen were led to form an alliance with Perseus.

XXXII. AFTER the interruption caused by the consideration of these foreign affairs, he reassembled the council of the Macedonians, and informed them, that " with regard to the form of government in Ma-" cedonia, they must elect senators called by them-" felves Synedroi, by whose counsels the admini-" stration of the public affairs should be directed." Then was read a lift of Macedonians of distinction. who, with their children above fifteen years of age, were ordered to go before him into Italy. This injunction, at first view cruel, appeared, afterwards, to the Macedonian populace, to have been intended in favour of their freedom. For the persons named were the king's friends and courtiers, the generals of his armies, and the commanders of his ships, or parrisons; men accustomed to pay servile obedience to the king, and to domineer haughtily over others; fome immoderately rich, others vying in expense with those to whom they were inferior, in point of fortune, all living and dreffing like kings; none possessed of a disposition suited to a member of a commonwealth, and all of them incapable of paying due obedience to the laws, and of enjoying an equal participation of liberty. All, therefore, who had held any employment under the king, even those who had been upon the most trivial embassies, were ordered to leave Macedonia and go into Italy; and the penalty of death was denounced against any who disobeyed the order. He framed laws for Macedonia, with fuch care, that they seemed intended not for vanquished foes, but for faithful and deservBOOK ing allies; laws fo wife, that even long experi-, ence, the infallible test of excellence, has not been Y. R. 585. able to discover in them any thing liable to excep-B. C. 167. tion. Serious business being now dispatched, he turned his thoughts to the celebration of games, for which he had long been making preparations, and had fent people to the states and kings in Asia, to give notice of the entertainment; and in his late tour through Greece, had mentioned it himself to the principal people in the several states: and now he exhibited them at Amphipolis, with very great There came thither from every quarter fplendor. of the globe, multitudes of artists of every fort, skilled in such exhibitions, as well as wrestlers, and remarkably fine horses; deputations also came with victims and every other mark of respect, usually shewn to gods or men, on occasion of the great games of Greece. Hence it came to pass, that people's admiration was excited, not only, by the magnificence, but, likewise, by the skill displayed in the exhibition of the entertainments; in which kind of business the Romans were, at that time, quite inexperienced. Feafts were also provided for the ambassadors, with the same degree of care and elegance. An expression of his was generally remarked, that, to furnish out a feast, and to conduct games, required talents equal to those of a consummate general.

XXXIII. When the games of every kind were finished, he put the brazen shields on board the ships; the rest of the arms, being all collected together in a huge pile, the general himself, after praying to Mars, Minerva, mother Lua, and the other deities, to whom it is right and proper to dedicate the spoils of enemies, set fire to them with a torch, and then the military tribunes, who stood round, all threw fire on the pile. It was remarkable, that, at such a general congress of Europe and Asia, where such multitudes were assembled from all quarters, some to congratulate

late the victors, some to see the shews; and where BOOK fuch numerous bodies of land and naval forces were quartered, fo great was the plenty of every thing, Y-R-585and so moderate the price of provisions, that the B.C. 26%. general made prefents, of most articles in that line to private persons, and states, and nations; not only for their present use, but even to carry home with them. The crowd affembled were not more highly gratified by the fight of the stage entertainments, or the contests between men, or the wrestlers, the horse races, than by that of the Macedonian booty, which was all exposed to view. There were in the palace, there, such a number of statues, pictures, tapestry, and vases, most elaborately formed of gold, silver, brass, and ivory, that they feemed intended, not merely, for present shew, like the furniture of the palace in Alexandria, but even for the use of all future ages. These were embarked in the fleet, and given in charge to Cneius Octavius, to be carried to Rome. Paullus then dismissed the ambassadors with every demonstration of good will; and, crossing the Strymon, encamped for the night at the distance of a mile from Amphipolis; then refuming his march, he arrived, on the fifth day after, at Pella. by the city, and halting for two days, at a place called Spelæum, he detached his fon Quintus Maximus and Publius Nafica, with half of the troops, to lay waste the country of the Illyrians, who had asfifted Perseus in the war, and he ordered them to meet him at Oricum; then, taking the road to Epirus, on the evening of the fifteenth day, he reached the city of Passaro.

XXXIV. Not far from hence was the camp of Anicius, to whom he sent a letter desiring him not to be alarmed at any thing that should happen, for the senate had granted to his soldiers, the plunder of those cities in Epirus, which had revolted to Perseus. He fent centurions to each of those cities, who were to give out, that they came to bring away the garrisons,

BOOK in order that the Epirotes might he free, as well as xLV: the Macedonians; and fummoning before him ten Y.R. 485. of the principal men of each city, he gave them 3. C. 167. Strict injunctions that all their gold and filver should be brought out, into the public street. He then sent cohorts to the several cities, ordering those who were intended for the more distant, to set out sooner than the others, who had not fo far to go, that they might all arrive at the places of their destination, on the The tribunes and centurions were instructed how to act. Early in the morning, all the gold and filver was collected; at the fourth hour the fignal was given to the foldiers to plunder, and fo ample was the booty acquired, that the shares distributed to the foldiers were four hundred denariuses to a horseman, two hundred to a footman. and one hundred and fifty thousand human beings were led away captives. Then the walls of the plundered cities, in number about feventy, were rased; the plunder of them all was fold, and the soldiers shares paid out of the price. Paullus then marched down to the sea to Oricum; he found, that, contrary to his opinion, he had by no means fatisfied the wishes of his men, who were enraged, at being excluded from sharing in the spoil of the king, as if they had not waged any war in Macedonia. Finding. at Oricum, the troops fent with his fon Maximus and Scipio Nasica, he embarked the army, and sailed over to Italy. In a short time after, Anicius, having held a convention of the rest of the Epirotes and Acarnanians, and ordered those of their chiefs, whose cases he had reserved for consideration, to follow him to Italy, he waited only for the return of the ships that had carried the Macedonian army, and then passed over to Italy. While these transactions passed in Macedonia and Epirus, the ambassadors, sent with Attalus, to put a stop to hostilities between the Gauls and king Eumenes, arrived in

Asia. Having agreed to a suspension of arms, for BOOK the winter, the Gauls had gone home, and the king XLV. retired to Pergamus into winter-quarters, where he Y.R.585. was seized with a heavy fit of sickness. The first B.C. 167. appearance of spring drew out both parties from home; and, by this time, the Gauls had advanced, as far as Synnada, while Eumenes had collected all his forces at Sardis. The Romans went to Synnada, to confer with Solovettius, the general of the Gauls, and Attalus went with them; but it was not thought proper that he should go into the camp of the Gauls, lest the passions of either party might be heated by debate. Publius Licinius held a conference with the chieftain of the Gauls; and the account he gave of the refult was, that mild remonstrances rendered him more presumptuous, so that it might feem matter of wonder, that the mediation of Roman ambassadors should have had so great influence on Antiochus and Ptolemy, two powerful kings, as to make them instantly conclude a peace; and yet, that it should have had no kind of efficacy with the Gauls.

XXXV. THE captive kings, Perseus and Gentius, with their children, were the first brought to Rome, and put in custody, and next the multitude of other prisoners: then came the Macedonians, who had been laid under injunctions to attend at Rome, and the principal Greeks, in the same circumstances; for of these, not only such as were at home were fummoned, but even those, who were faid to be at the courts of the kings, were cited by letter. In a few days after, Paullus himself was carried up the Tiber to the city, in a royal galley of vast fize, which was moved by fixteen tiers of oars, and was decorated with Macedonian spoils, consisting not only of beautiful armour, but of tapestry, and fuch kind of works, which had been the property of the king, while the banks were covered with the multitudes

DOOK multitudes that poured out to do him honour. After a few days, arrived Anicius, and Cneius Octavius Y.R. 5\$5. with his fleet. The senate voted a triumph to B. C. 167. every one of the three, and charged the prætor, Quintus Cassius, to apply, under the direction of the senate, to the plebeian tribunes, to propose to the commons the passing of an order, investing them with the authority of command, during the day on which they should ride through the city in triumph. Secondary objects are generally secure from popular displeasure, which usually aims at the highest. With regard to the triumphs of Anicius and Octavius, no hesitation was made; but Paullus, with whom these men could not, without blushing, set themselves in comparison, felt the attacks of invidious detraction. He had kept his foldiers under the antient rules of discipline, and his donations, out of the spoil, were smaller than they hoped to have received, when the treasures of the king were so large; for if he had indulged their avarice, there would have been nothing left to be carried to the treasury. The whole Macedonian army were disposed to neglect attending, in support of their commander's pretenfions, at the affembly held for the passing of the But Servius Sulpicius Galba, who had been military tribune, in the fecond legion, in Macedonia, and who harboured a personal enmity against the general, partly, by his own importunities, partly, by foliciting them, through the foldiers of his own legion, had spirited them up to attend in full numbers, to give their votes, and to "take revenge on a " haughty and morose commander, by rejecting the-" order proposed for his triumph. The commons of the city would follow the judgment of the foled diery. Was it right, that he should have power " to withhold the money, and the foldiery not have so power to withhold the honours? Let him not "hope to reap the fruits of gratitude, where he had " not merited it."

XXXVI. By fuch expressions, did he stimulate B O O K their resentment; and when, in the Capitol, Tibe- XLV. rius Sempronius, tribune of the commons, proposed Y.R. 585. the order, and it came to the turn of private citizens B. C. 167. to speak on the subject, the passing of it was thought so clear of all doubt, that not one stood forth to argue in favour of it. Whereupon, Servius Galba fuddenly came forward, and demanded of the tribune, that, " as it was then the eighth hour of the " day, and there would not be time enough to pro-" duce all the reasons, for not ordering a triumph to "Lucius Æmilius, they should adjourn to the next " day, and take up the business early in the morn-" ing: for not less than an entire day would be suf-" ficient to fay what was requisite in the cause," The tribune defired, that, whatever he chose to say, he would fay it to-day; and he spoke so long, as to protract the business until night. He represented, and reminded the foldiers, that "the duties of the " fervice had been enforced with unufual feverity; " that more labour and more danger had been im-" posed on them than the occasion required; while, " on the other hand, in respect of rewards and hoff nours, every thing was conducted on the narrowest " scale; and if such commanders succeeded in their "views, the military service would become more " irksome, and more laborious, to those employed " in it, and would produce to conquering troops, " neither riches nor honours. That the Macedoni-" ans were in a better condition than the Roman " foldiers. He then told them, that if they would " attend, next day, in full numbers to reject the " order, men in power would learn, that every thing " was not in the disposal of the commander, but " that there was fomething in that of the foldiery." The foldiers, instigated by such arguments, filled the Capitol, next day, with fuch a crowd, that no one else could find room to come in and vote. tribes, first called in, gave a negative to the question; OT

BOOK on which the principal men in the state ran together to the Capitol, crying out, that " it was a shameful. Y.R. 585. " thing, that Lucius Paullus, after his success in B.C. 167. " fuch an important war, should be robbed of a " triumph; that commanders should be given up, " in a state of subjection, to the licentiousness and avarice of the foldiers; that a desire of popularity, " of itself, too often led generals aftray; but what " must be the consequence if the soldiers were " raised into the place of masters over their gene-" rals?" All heaped violent reproaches on Galba. At last, when the uproar was calmed, Marcus Servilius, who had been consul, and master of the horse, requested that the tribunes would begin the proceedings anew, and give him an opportunity of speaking to the people. The tribunes, after withdrawing to deliberate, being overcome by the arguments of the people of the first rank, commenced the proceedings afresh, and declared that they would call back the same tribes, as soon as Marcus Servilius, and other private citizens, should have delivered their fentiments.

> XXXVII. SERVILIUS then said: " Roman ci-"tizens, if there were no other proof of the eminent " abilities of Lucius Æmilius, as a commander, this one would be fufficient: that, notwithstanding he " had in his camp foldiers fo inconstant and muti-" nous, and an enemy fo active, fo zealous, and fo " eloquent, to stir up the passions of the multitude, "yet was there never any mutiny in his army. "That strictness of discipline, at which they have " now conceived so much displeasure, kept them "then in order. Subjected to the antient rules of " order, they then remained quiet. As to Servius "Galba, if he were disposed to set himself up for an " orator, and to give a specimen of his eloquence, " in accusing Lucius Paullus, he ought not now to " obstruct his triumph; if for no other reason than

" this, that the senate has pronounced that, in their B GOK " judgment, he has deferved it; but the proper XLV. way would have been, on the day after the tri- Y.R. 585, " umph, when he should see him in a private station, B. C. 167. " to prefer a charge against him, and prosecute him s according to the laws; or elfe, fornewhat later, when he himself should be invested with magistra-" cy, to cite him to a trial, and accuse his enemy " before the people. In that method, Lucius Paul-" lus would both receive the reward of his proper "conduct, a triumph for extraordinary success in "war, and also meet punishment, if he had com-" mitted any thing unworthy of his former or prefe fent reputation. Instead of which, he has under-" taken to depreciate the character of a man, to "whom he cannot impute a fingle act, either cri-" minal or dishonourable, Yesterday he demanded " a whole day, for making his charges on Lucius " Paullus, and four hours which remained of that " day, he spent in delivering a speech to that pur-" pose. What accused man was ever so transcend-" ently wicked, that the faults of his life could not " be fet forth in that number of hours? And yet, " in all that time, what did he object to him, that "Lucius Paullus, if actually on his trial, would " have wished to be denied? Let me, for a mo-46 ment, suppose two assemblies: one, composed of " the foldiers who served in Macedonia; the other, " of founder judgment, unbiaffed either by favour " or dislike; where the whole body of the Roman " people is the judge. Let the business be dis-" cussed, first, before the citizens, peaceably assem-" bled in their gowns. Servius Galba, what have " you to say before the Roman citizens; for such a " discourse, as you made before, is totally precluded, "You were obliged to stand on your guards with " too much strictness and attention; the watches " were visited with too much exactness and severity:

BOOK " you did more work than formerly, because the " general, himself, went the rounds, and enforced it. Y.R. 585. "On the same day you performed a march, and, B. C. 167. " without repose, were led forth to battle. Even when you had gained a victory, he did not allow " you rest: he led you immediately in pursuit of the enemy. When he has it in his power to make 44 you rich, by dividing the spoil, he intends to " carry the king's treasure in his triumph, and deso posit it in the treasury. Though these arguments may have some degree of weight, and are well " calculated to stimulate the passions of soldiers, who imagine that too little deference has been " shewn to their licentious temper, and too little in-" dulgence to their avarice; yet they would have " no kind of influence on the judgment of the Roman people; who, though they should not recol-" lect old accounts, and what they heard from their arents, of the numerous defeats suffered in con-" sequence of improper indulgence given by com-" manders, and victories gained in confequence of es strict inforcement of discipline; yet must they " furely remember, so late as in the last Punic war, what a difference there was between Marcus Mi-" nucius, the master of the horse, and Quintus Fabius Maximus, the dictator. The accuser, there-" fore, would foon know, that any defence, on the " part of Paulius, would be needless and super-« fluous.

XXXVIII. "LET us now pass to the other assembly; and here I am not to address you as citizens, but as soldiers, if, indeed, you can hear yourselves so called without blushing, and seeling the deepest shame for your illiberal treatment of your general. And, to say the truth, I seel my own mind affected in a very different manner, when I suppose myself speaking to an army, than

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* It was, just now, when I addressed myself to the BOOK commons of the city. For what fay you, fol-" diers; is there any man in Rome, except Perseus, Y.R. 585. that wishes there should be no triumph over Ma- B. C. 167. " cedonia; and are not you tearing him in pieces, " with the fame hands with which you conquered "the Macedonians? That man, who would hinder " you from entering the city in triumph, would, if " it had been in his power, have hindered you from " conquering. Soldiers, you are mistaken, if you ima-" gine that a triumph is an honour to the general " alone, and not to the foldiers also, as well as to "the whole Roman people. Not Paullus, alone, " is interested in the present case. Many, who " failed of obtaining, from the senate, the grant of " a triumph, have triumphed on the Alban mount. " No man can ravish from Lucius Paullus the ho-" nour of having finished the Macedonian war, any " more than he can from Caius Lutatius, that of " finishing the first Punic war, or from Publius " Cornelius, that of finishing the second; or from " those who have triumphed before those generals, " or fince, their respective bonours. Neither will a "triumph add to, or diminish, the honour of Lucius " Paullus, as a commander: the character of the " foldiers, and of the whole Roman people, is more " immediately concerned therein, left they should " incur the imputation of envy and ingratitude, to-" wards one of its most illustrious citizens, and ap-" pear to imitate, in this respect, the people of " Athens, perfecuting the most illustrious of their " citizens, with the hatred of the populace. Your " ancestors were sufficiently culpable in the case " of Camillus; whom they treated injuriously, " before the city was recovered from the Gauls, " through his means; and you were more than " enough so in the case of Publius Africanus. How " must we blush, when we restect, that the habita-VOL. VI.

BOOK "tion of the conqueror of Africa, was at Liternum; " his tomb at Liternum? And shall Lucius Paul-" lus, equal to any of these men in renown, receive B. C. 167. " from you an equal share of ill-treatment? "that diffrace then be blotted out, which disho-" nours us among foreigners, and injures us at "home; for who will, henceforward, wish to re-" semble either Africanus, or Paullus, in a state " where merit meets only with ingratitude and en-" mity? If there were no disgrace in the case, and # the question merely concerned glory, what tri-" umph does not imply the general glory of the " whole Roman race? Are all the numerous tri-" umphs over the Gauls, the Spaniards, and the " Carthaginians, called the triumphs of the generals, " only, or are they not, in fact, the triumphs of the "Roman people?. As the triumphs were celebrated " not merely over Pyrrhus, or Hánnibal, but over "the Enirotes and Carthaginians; so, it was not " the individual Manius Curius, or Publius Cor-" nelius, but the Romans, that triumphed. " foldiers, indeed, are peculiarly interested in this « case; for it is their part to appear with crowns of " laurel, and decorated with the honorary presents " which each has received, to utter the acclamations " of triumph, and march, in procession, through " the city, finging their own and their commander's repraises. If, at any time, soldiers are not brought " home from a province to a triumph, they mur-" mur; and yet, even in that case, they consider " themselves as triumphing, though absent, because so by their hands the victory was obtained. Soldiers, " if it should be asked, for what purpose you were brought home to Italy, and not disbanded, immeec diately, when the business of the province was "finished; why ye came to Rome, in a body, " round your standards; why you loiter here, rather "than repair to your several homes; what other

answer can you give, than that you wished to be BOOK XLV.
feen in triumph? And, certainly, you have a right to shew yourselves as conquerors.
Y.R. 585.
B.C. 167.

XXXIX. "TRIUMPHS have been lately cele-" brated over Philip, father of the present prince, " and over Antiochus; both of whom were in pos-" session of their thrones, when the triumphs over "them were performed: and shall there be no "triumph over Perseus, who has been taken pri-" foner, and, with his children, brought away to . "this city? But if, while the other generals " mounted the Capitol, in their triumphal chariots, " clad in gold and purple, Lucius Paullus, alone, " reduced to a private rank, should, amid the crowd " of gowned citizens, call out from the lower " ground, and ask them, Lucius Anicius, and Cneius "Octavius, whether do you esteem yourselves, or " me, more deferving of a triumph? I am con-" fident they would yield him the chariot, and, " through shame, present to him, with their own "hands, their ensigns of honour. Do ye choose, " citizens, that Gentius should be led in triumph, " rather than Perseus; and do you wish rather to " triumph over an accessary, rather than over the or principal in the war? Shall the legions from "Illyria, and the crews of the fleet, enter the city " with laurel crowns; and shall the Macedonian e legions, being refused one for themselves, be only " spectators of other men's triumphs? What then " will become of fuch a rich booty, the spoils of a " victory fo lucrative? where shall be buried so " many thousand fuits of armour, stripped from the " bodies of the enemy? or shall they be sent back " to Macedonia? Where shall be lodged the sta-" tues of gold, of marble, and of ivory; the pic-" tures, the ingenious productions of the loom; fuch "a quantity of wrought filver and gold, and fuch a mass of money as the king's? Shall they be con308 BOOK "veyed to the treasury, by night, as if they were "ftolen? What will become of the greatest of all " shews; where will that very celebrated and pow-B.C. 167. " erful king be exhibited, a captive to the eyes of "the victorious people? What a concourse the captured king Syphax, an auxiliary only in the "Punic war, caused, most of us remember; and " shall the captured king Perseus, and the king's 66 fons, Philip and Alexander, names fo illustrious, " be secreted from the view of the public? The " eyes of all men are eagerly anxious to behold Lu-" cius Paullus himfelf, twice consul, the conqueror " of Greece, entering the city in his triumphal chariot. We made him conful, for this very pur-" pose, that he should finish a war which had been " protracted for four years, to our great shame. "When he got that province by lot, and when he " was fetting out to go to it, with prefaging minds, " we destined to him victory and triumph; and shall " we now, when he is victorious, refuse him a tri-" umph; and defraud, not only men, but the gods " also of the honours due to them? For a triumph is due to the gods too, as well as to men: your " ancestors commenced every business of import-" ance with worshipping the gods, and ended all in " the same manner. The consul, or prætor, when " fetting out for his province, and to a war, dreffed " in his military robe, and attended by his lictors, " offers vows in the Capitol; when he returns vic-" torious, he carries, in triumph, to the Capitol, to " the fame gods to whom he made the vows, the due offering of the Roman people; the victims " that precede him are not the most immaterial part " of the procession, to demonstrate that the com-" mander returns with thanksgivings to the gods for " the success granted to the business of the state. "All those victims, which he has provided to be " led in his triumph, you may flay at facrifices, " performed by several different persons. Do you

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" intend to interrupt those banquets of the senate, BOOK which are not allowed to be served up, either in " any private place, or even in a public place, if Y.R. 585. " unconfecrated, but in the Capitol, whether they B. C. 167. " are meant for the gratification of men, or in ho-" nour both of gods and men, because such is the " will of Servius Galba? Shall the gates be shut " against Lucius Paullus's triumph? Shall Perseus, " king of Macedonia, with his children, and the " multitude of other captives, and the spoils of the " Macedonians, be left behind, on this fide of the " river? Shall Lucius Paullus, in a private cha-" racter, go straight from the gate to his house, as " if returning home from his country feat? And " you, centurion, you, foldiers, listen to the votes " of the senate respecting your general Paullus, ra-"ther than to the babbling of Servius Galba; listen " to me, rather than to him. He has learned to do " nothing else, but to speak; and even that with " rancour and malice. I have three-and-twenty " times fought the enemy, on challenges, and from " every one with whom I fought, I brought off " spoils. I have my body plentifully marked with " honourable scars, all received in front." said, that he then stripped himself, and mentioned in what war each of his wounds was received; and that, while he was shewing these, he happened to uncover what ought to be hid, and that a swelling in his groins raised a laugh among those near him, on which he faid, "This too, which excites your " laughter, I got by continuing days and nights on " horseback; nor do I feel either shame or forrow " for this, any more than for these scars, since it " never obstructs me in doing good service to the " public, either in peace or war. An aged foldier, "I have shewn to youthful soldiers this body of " mine, often wounded by the weapons of the ene-" my. Let Galba strip his, which is sleek and " unhurt. X 3

BOOK "unhurt. Tribunes, be pleased to call back the "tribes to vote. Soldiers, I * * * * * * †.

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XL. VALERIUS ANTIAS tells us, that the whole amount of the captured gold and filver, carried in the procession, was one hundred and twenty millions of sesterces 1; but from the number of Philippics, and the weights of the gold and filver, specifically fet down by himself, the amount is unquestionably made much greater. An equal fum, it is faid, had been either expended on the late war, or dissipated during the king's flight, on his way to Samothrace, which makes it the more wonderful, that so large a quantity of money had been amassed within the space of thirty years, since Philip's war with the Romans, out of the produce of the mines, and the other branches of revenue. So that Philip began war against the Romans with his treasury very poorly fupplied; Perseus, on the contrary, with his immensely rich. Last came, in his chariot, Paullus himself, making a very majestic appearance, both by the dignity of his person, and of his age, itself, After his chariot, followed, among other illustrious personages, his two sons, Quintus Maximus, and Publius Scipio; then the cavalry, troop by troop, and the cohorts of infantry, each in its order. donative distributed among them was one hundred denariuses & to each footman, double to a centurion. and triple to a horseman; and it is believed that he would have given as much more to a footman, and to the rest in proportion, if they had, either, not objected to his attaining the honour, or had answered with thankful acclamations when that fum was an-

[†] The conclusion of this speech is lost. The effect of it was, that the order for the triumph of Lucius Paullus passed unanimously. The beginning of the account of the procession is also lost.

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nounced. Perseus, led through the city, in chains, BOOK before the chariot of the general his conqueror, was not the only instance, at the time, of the misfortunes Y.R. 585. incident to mankind; another appeared even in the B.C. 167. victorious Paullus, though glittering in gold and purple. For, of two fons, who, as he had given away two others on adoption, were the only remaining heirs of his name, his household worship, and his family, the younger, about twelve years old, died five days before the triumph, and the elder, fourteen years of age, three days after it; the children who ought to have been carried in the chariot, with their father, dreffed in the prætexta, and anticipating, in their hopes, like triumphs for themselves. A few days after, Marcus Antonius, tribune of the commons, fummoned a general affembly at his request. Here, after descanting on his services, as usually done by other commanders, he proceeded in a very remarkable manner, and well becoming a man of the first consequence in Rome.

XLI. "ALTHOUGH, Romans, I cannot suppose vou uninformed, either of the success which has " attended my endeavours in the service of the com-" monwealth, or of the two dreadful strokes which " have lately crushed my house; since, within a ". short space of time, my triumph and the funerals " of my two fons have been exhibited to your view; " yet, I beg leave to represent to you, in sew words, " and with that temper which becomes me, a com-" parative view of my own private fituation, and the " happy state of the public. Departing from Italy, "I failed from Brundusium, at sunrise; at the ninth " hour, with my whole fleet, I reached Corcyra, " On the fifth day after, I offered facrifice to Apol-" lo, at Delphi, in behalf of myself, of your armies " and fleets. From Delphi, I arrived, on the fifth " day, in the camp; where, having received the " command

BOOK " command of the army, and put in order se-" veral matters, which greatly impeded fuc-Y.R. 585. " cess, I advanced into the country; the enemy's B. C. 167. " camp, there, being impregnable, and there being no possibility of forcing the king to fight. " spite of the guards which he had stationed, I made " my way through the pass at Petra, and, com-" pelling the king to come to an engagement, gained " a complete victory. I reduced Macedonia under "the power of the Romans; and, in fifteen days, " finished a war, which three consuls, before me, " had, for three years, conducted in such a manner, " that each left it to his fuccessor more formidable " than he had found it. Other prosperous events " followed in consequence of this: all the cities of " Macedonia submitted; the royal treasure came " into my hands; the king himfelf, with his chil-" dren, was taken in the temple of Samothrace, de-" livered up, in a manner, by the gods themselves. "I myself, now, thought my good fortune exces-" five, and became apprehensive of a change; I " began to dread the dangers of the sea, in carrying " over the king's vast treasure to Italy, and trans-" porting the victorious army. When all arrived " in Italy, after a prosperous voyage, and I had no-" thing farther to wish, I prayed, that, as fortune " generally from the highest elevation rolls back-" ward, my own house, rather than the commonwealth, might feel the change. I trust, therefore, " that the fortune of the public is discharged from " danger, by my having undergone fuch an extra-" ordinary calamity, as to have my triumph come " in between the funerals of my two fons: fuch is the delutive imperfection of human happiness! " And though Perseus and myself are, at present, " exhibited as the most striking examples of the vi-" ciffitudes to which mankind are liable, yet he, who, himself in captivity, saw his children led " captive

captive before him, has them still in safety; while BOOK "I, who triumphed over him, went up in my chariot to the Capitol from the funeral of one fon, Y.R. 585. and came down from the Capitol to the bed of B.C. 167. " the other, just expiring; nor out of so large a " flock of children is there one remaining to bear "the name of Lucius Æmilius Paullus. For, hav-" ing a numerous progeny, I gave away two, on « adoption, whom the Cornelian and Fabian fami-" lies now have. In the house of Paullus not one is " there remaining but himself! However, for this " disafter of my own family, I find consolation in " your happiness, and in the prosperous state of the « commonwealth." These words, expressive of fuch magnanimity, moved the minds of the audience with deeper commiseration than if he had bewailed the loss of his children in the most plaintive terms.

XLII. Cheius Octavius celebrated a naval triumph, over king Perseus, on the calends of December, in which appeared neither prisoners nor spoils. He distributed to each seaman seventy-five denariuses *, to the pilots, who were on board, twice that fum; and to the masters of ships, four times. A meeting of the senate was then held, and they ordered, that Quintus Cassius should conduct king Perseus and his son Alexander to Alba, to be there kept in custody; and that he should retain his attendants, money, filver, and what furniture he had. Bitis, son to the king of Thrace, and the hostages of that nation, were fent to Carfeoli; the rest of the prifoners, who had been led in triumph, were ordered to be shut up in prison. A few days after this passed, ambassadors came from Cotys, king of Thrace, bringing money to ransom his son and the other hostages. When they were introduced to an audience of the fenate, they alleged, in excuse of CoBOOK tys, that he had not voluntarily affifted Perseus in the war, as he had been compelled to give him hof-Y.R. 585, tages; and they requested the senate to allow the B. C. 167. hostages to be ransomed, at any rate that should be judged proper, under the direction of the senate. They were answered, that "the Roman people re-" membered the friendship which had subsisted be-"tween them and Cotys, as well as with his pre-" decessors, and the Thracian nation; that the giv-" ing of hostages, was the very fault laid to his " charge, and not an apology for it; for Perseus, even when at rest from others, could not be for-" midable to the Thracian nation, much less when " he was embroiled in a war with Rome. But that, " notwithstanding that Cotys had preferred the fa-" vour of Perseus to the friendship of the Roman " people, yet the senate would consider rather what " fuited their own dignity, than what treatment he " had merited; and would fend home to him his " fon and the hostages: that the kindness of the "Roman people were always gratuitous; and that " they chose to leave the value of them in the me-" mory of the receivers, rather than to demand it " in present." Titus Quintius Flamininus, Caius Licinius Nerva, and Marcus Caninius Rebilus, were nominated ambassadors to conduct the hostages home to Thrace; and a present of two thousand ales* was made to each of the ambassadors. Bitis, and the other hostages, were brought from Carseoli, and fent to his father with the ambassadors. the king's ships, taken from the Macedonians, of a fize never feen before, were hauled ashore in the field of Mars.

XLIII. WHILE people yet retained, not only fresh in memory, but almost before their eyes, the exhibition of the Macedonian triumph, Lucius Ani-

cius triumphed over king Gentius, and the Illyrians, B o o K on the day of the festival of Quirinus. The people considered these exhibitions rather as similar, than equal. Y.R. 585. The commander himself was inferior; Anicius com- B.C. 167. pared in renown with Æmilius, a prætor in dignity of office with a conful; neither could Gentius be fet on a level with Perseus, nor the Illyrians with the Macedonians; nor the spoils, nor the money, nor the presents obtained in one country, with those obtained in the other. But though the late triumph outshone the present, yet the latter, when considered by itself, appeared very far from contemptible. For Anicius had, in the space of a few days, entirely subdued the Illyrian nation, remarkable for their courage both on land and sea, and confident in the strength of their posts; and he had also taken their king, and the whole royal family. He carried, in his triumph, many military standards, and much spoil of other forts, with all the royal furniture; and also twenty-seven pounds weight of gold, and nineteen of filver; besides three thousand denariuses *. and, in Illyrian money, the amount of one hundred and twenty thousand †. Before his chariot were led king Gentius, with his queen, and children; Carovantius, the king's brother, and several Illyrian nobles. Out of the booty, he gave among the foldiers forty-five denariuses I to each footman, double to a centurion, triple to a horseman; to the Latine allies the fame fums as to natives, and to the feamen the fame as to the foldiers. The foldiery shewed more ioy in their attendance on this triumph, and the general was celebrated in abundance of fongs. rius Antias says, that this booty produced to the public twenty thousand sesterces §, besides the gold and filver carried to the treasury; but, as no sources

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BOOK appeared, from which such a sum could be raised, E , have fet down my author instead of afferting the fact. Y. R. 585. King Gentius, with his queen, children, and brother, B. C. 167. was, pursuant to an order of the senate, taken to Spoletium, to be kept there in custody; the rest of the prisoners were thrown into prison at Rome; but the people of Spoletium refusing the charge, the royal family were removed to Iguvium. There remained, of the Illyrian spoil, two hundred and twenty barks, which, as they had been taken from king Gentius, Quintus Cassius, by order of the senate, distributed among the Corcyreans, Apollonians, and Dyrrachians.

XLIV. The confuls of this year, after merely ravaging the lands of the Ligurians, as the enemy never brought an army into the field, returned to Rome, to elect new magistrates, without having performed any matter of importance. The first day on which the affembly could meet, were chosen consuls, Marcus Claudius Marcellus, and Caius Sulpicius Y.R. 586. Gallus. Next day were elected prætors, Lucius Livius, Lucius Appuleius Saturninus, Aulus Licinius Nerva, Publius Rutilius Calvus, Publius Quintilius Varus, and Marcus Fonteius. To these przetors were decreed the two city provinces, the two Spains, Sicily, and Sardinia. There was an intercalation made in the calendar this year, which took place on the day after the feast of Terminus. One of the augurs, Caius Claudius, died this year, and in his place was chosen, by the college, Titus Quintius Flamininus. The flamen quirinalis, Quintus Fabius Pictor, died also. This year king Prusias came to Rome, with his fon Nicomedes. Coming into the city, with a large retinue, he went directly from the gate to the Forum, to the tribunal of the prætor, Quintus Cassius; and a crowd immediately collecting, he faid, that "he came to pay his respects to " the

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the deities inhabiting the city of Rome, and to BOOK " the Roman senate and people; to congratulate "them on their conquest of the two kings, Perseus Y. R. 586, « and Gentius, and the augmentation of their em- B. C. 166. " pire by the reduction of Macedonia and Hlyria " under their dominion." The prætor told him, that, if he chose it, he would procure him audience of the senate on the same day, but he defired two days time, in which he might go round and visit ethe temples of the gods; and fee the city, and his acquaintances, and friends. Lucius Cornelius Scipio, then quæftor, was appointed to conduct him every where, and had been fent to Capua to meet him. A house was likewise provided, capable of lodging him and his retinue with convenience. On the third day after, he attended at a meeting of the fenate. He congratulated them on their success, recounted his own deferts towards them during the war, and then requested that "he might be allowed " to fulfil a vow of facrificing ten large victims in " the Capitol, and one to Fortune at Præneste; in " consequence of a vow which he had made for the " fucceis of the Roman people: that the alliance " with him might be renewed; that the territory 4 taken from king Antiochus, and not granted to " any other, but now in possession of the Gauls, " might be given to him." Laftly, he recommended to the senate his son Nicomedes. His interest was espoused by all those who had commanded armies in Macedonia: his other requests, therefore, were granted; but, with regard to the territory, he received this answer: that "they would fend am-" bassadors to examine the matter on the spot. " the territory in question had become the property " of the Roman people, and if no grant had been " made of it, they would deem no other to deferving of a present of the kind as Prusias. But, if it " had not belonged to Antiochus, it evidently, in

BOOK " consequence, did not become the property of the " Roman people; or if it had been already granted Y.R. 186. " to the Gauls, the Roman people expected Prufias 3. C. 166. " to excuse them if they did not choose to confer a " present on him at the expence of other people's " rights. A present cannot be acceptable to the er receiver, which he knows the donor may take " away whenever he thinks proper. That they cheerfully accepted his recommendation of Ni-" comedes; and Ptolemy, king of Egypt, was ane instance of the great care of the Roman people " in supporting the children of their friends." With this answer Prusias was dismissed. Presents were ordered to be given him, to the value of * * * * festerces, beside vases of silver, weighing sifty pounds. They voted, that presents should be made to the king's fon, Nicomedes, of the same value with those given to Masgaba, the son of king Masinissa; and that victims, and other matters pertaining to facrifices, should be furnished to the king at the public expence, the same as to the Roman magistrates, whenever he chose to facrifice, either at Rome or at Præneste; and that twenty ships of war should be affigned to him out of the fleet lying at Brundusium, of which he should have the use until he arrived at the fleet which was given him as a present. Lucius Cornelius Scipio should constantly attend him, and defray all his expences, and those of his retinue, until they went on board the ships. We are told that the king was wonderfully rejoiced at the kind trentment which he received from the Roman people; that he refused the presents offered to himself, but ordered his son to receive the present of the Roman people. Such are the accounts given of Prusias by our own writers: Polybius represents the behaviour of that king as highly unbecoming a person of his rank. He fays, that he used to go to meet the Roman ambassadors, wearing a cap, and having his

head shaved; calling himself a freed slave of the BOOK Roman people, and, accordingly, wearing the badges of that class: that at Rome, likewise, when coming Y.R. 536. into the senate-house, he stooped down and kissed B. C. 166. the threshold, and called the senate his tutelar deities, and used other expressions not so honourable to the hearers as disgraceful to himself. He staid in the city and its vicinity not more than thirty days, and then returned to his kingdom.

HERE ends all that has reached us of this History.

Of ninety-five Books more, which it originally confisted of, the Contents only have been preserved; they are as follows:

BOOK XLVI.

EUMENES comes to Rome: having stood neuter, in the Y.R. 586. B. C. 166, Macedonian war, that he might not be deemed an enemy, if excluded, or confidered as absolved of all guilt, if admitted, a general law was made, that no king be received into Rome. The conful, Claudius Marcellus, subdues the Alpine Gauls; and Caius Sulpicius Gallus the Ligurians. Y.R. \$87. The ambassadors of king Prusias complain of Eumenes, for B. C. 165. ravaging their borders; they accuse him of entering into a conspiracy, with Antiochus, against the Romans. A treaty of friendship made with the Rhodians, upon their solicit-A census held; the number of the citizens found B. C. 164. to be three hundred and twenty-seven thousand and twenty-Marcus Æmilius Lepidus chosen chief of the senate. Ptolemy, king of Egypt, dethroned by his younger bro-Y. R. \$89. ther, is restored by ambassadors sent from Rome. Ariara-B. C. 363. thes, king of Cappadocia, dies, and is succeeded by his son Ariarathes, who enters anew into a treaty of friendship Y.R. 590. with the Romans. Expeditions against the Ligurians, B. C. 162. Corficans, and Lusitanians, attended with various success. Commotions in Syria, on occasion of the death of Antiochus, who left a fon, an infant; who, together with his guardian, Lysias, is murdered by Demetrius, who usurps Y. R. 591, the kingdom. Lucius Æmilius Paullus, the con-B. C. 161. queror of Perseus: Such was the moderation and incorruptibility of this great commander, that, notwithstanding the immense treasures he had brought from Spain and Macedonia, yet, upon the fale of his effects, there could scarcely be raised a sum sufficient to repay his wife's for-YyR. 592. tune. The Pomptine marshes drained, and converted into B. C. 160. dry land, by the conful, Cornelius Cethegus.

BOOK XLVII.

CNEIUS TREMELLIUS, a plebeian tribune, fined, for con- Y.R. 593. tending, in an unjust cause, with Marcus Æmilius Lepi- B. C. 159. dus, chief priest; which greatly enhanced the authority of the priesthood. A law made respecting the canvassing for offices. A census held; the number of Roman citizens Y.R. 594. found to be three hundred and twenty-eight thousand B.C. 158. three hundred and fourteen. Marcus Æmilius Lepidus, again chosen chief of the senate. A treaty concluded between the Ptolemys, brothers, that one should be king of Egypt, the other of Cyrenæ. Ariarathes, king of Cappa- Y. R. 595. docia, deprived of his kingdom, by the intrigues and B.C. 157. power of Demetrius, king of Syria; restored by the senate. Ambassadors sent by the senate to determine a territorial dispute between Masinissa and the Carthaginians. Caius Marcius, consul, fights the Dalmatians, at first, un- Y.R. 596. fortunately; but, afterwards, successfully. The cause of B.C. 156. this war was, that they had made inroads upon the Illyrians. who were in alliance with the people of Rome. The Dalmatians completely subdued, by the conful, Cor- Y.R. 597. nelius Nasica. The consul, Quintus Opimius, defeats the B. C. 155. Transalpine Ligurians, who had plundered Antipolis and Nicæa, two towns belonging to the Massilians. Various Y.R. 598. ill successes, under different commanders, in Spain. In the B. C. 154. five hundred and ninety-eighth year, from the foundation of the city, the confuls enter upon office, immediately after the conclusion of their election; which alteration was made, on account of a rebellion in Spain. The ambassadors, sent Y.R. 599. by the senate, to determine a dispute between Masinissa and B. C. 1530 the Carthaginians, return, and report that the Carthaginians had collected a vast quantity of materials for shipbuilding. Several prætors, accused of extortion, by different provinces, condemned and punished

BOOK XLVIII.

A CENSUS held; the number of citizens amounts Y.R. 6000 to three hundred and twenty-four thousand. A third Pu-B. C. 1520 nic war; causes of it. Marcus Porcius Cato urges a declaration of war against the Carthaginians, on account of their employing a vast body of Numidian troops, vol. VI.

under the command of Archobarzanes, destined, they allege, to act against Masinissa, but he afferts, against the Romans. Publius Scipio Nasica being of a contrary opinion, it is resolved to send ambassadors to Carthage, to inquire into the truth of the affair. The Carthagian senate being reproved for levying forces, and preparing materials for ship-building, contrary to treaty, declare themselves ready to make peace with Masinissa, upon condition of his giving up the lands in dispute. But Gisge, fon of Hamilcar, a man of a feditious disposition, at that time chief magistrate, notwithstanding the determination, of the senate to abide by the decision of the ambassadors, urges the Carthaginians to war against the Romans, in fuch strong terms, that the ambassadors are obliged to fave themselves, by flight, from personal violence. On this being told, at Rome, the senate becomes more highly incenfed against them. Cato, being poor, celebrates the funeral of his fon, who died in the office of pretor, at a very fmall expence. Andrifcus, an impostor, pretending to be the fon of Perseus, king of Macedonia, sent to Rome. Marcus Æmilius Lepidus, who had been, fix times, declared chief of the senate, on his death-bed, gives strict orders to his fons, that he shall be carried out to burial, on a couch, without the usual ornaments of purple and fine linen, and that there shall not be expended on his funeral more than ten pieces of brass: alleging that the funerals of the most diffinguished men, used, formerly, to be decorated by trains of images, and not by sumptuous expence. An inquiry instituted concerning poisoning. Publicia and Licinia, women of high rank, accused of the murder of their Y.R. 601. husbands, tried before the prætor, and executed. Gulusia, B. C. 151. Son of Masinissa, gives information that troops were levying, and a fleet fitting out at Carthage, and that there could be no doubt of their intending war. Cato urging a declaration of war, and Nasica dissuading it, entreating the senate to do nothing rashly; it is resolved, to send ten ambassadors to inquire into the affair. The confuls, Lucius Licinius Lucullus and Aulus Postumius Albinus, carrying on the lewying of foldiers with inflexible feverity, committed to prifon by the tribunes of the people, for not, at their entreaty, spaying some of their friends. The ill success of the war in Spain, having so discouraged the citizens of Rome, that none could be found to undertake any military command, or office, Publius Cornelius Amilianus comes forward, and offers

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offers to undertake any office whatever, which it should be thought proper to call him to: roused by his example, the whole body of the people make the like offer. It was thought that the conful, Claudius Marcellus, had reduced all the states of Celtiberia to a state of tranquillity; nevertheless, his successor, Lucius Lucullus, is engaged in war with the Vaccaans, Cantabrians, and other nations of Spaniards, hitherto unknown; all of which he In this war, Publius Cornelius Africanus fubducs. Scipio Æmilianus, the fon of Lucius Paullus, and nephew, by adoption, of Africanus, a military tribune, flays a barbarian, who had challenged him, and diftinguishes himself highly, at the siege of Intercatia, being the first who scaled the wall. The prætor, Servius Sulpicius Galba, fights the Lusitanians, unsuccessfully. The ambassadors, returning from Africa, together with some Carthaginian deputies, and Gulussa, report that they found an army and a fleet ready for service at Carthage. The matter taken into confideration by the fenate. Cato, and other principal fenators, urge, that an army should be immediately sent over into Africa: but Cornelius Nafica declaring, that he, yet, faw no just cause for war, it was resolved, that war should not be declared, provided the Carthaginians would burn their fleet, and disband their troops: but, if not, that, then, the next succeeding consuls should propose the question of war. A theatre which the censors had contracted for, being built, Cornelius Natica moves, and carries the question, that it be pulled down, as being, not only useless, but injurious to the morals of the people: the people, therefore, continue to behold the public shews, standing. Masinissa, now ninety-two years old, vanquishes the Carthaginians, who had made war against him, unjustly, and contrary to treaty. By this infraction of the treaty, they, also, involve themselves in a war with Rome.

BOOK XLIX.

THE third Punic war; which was ended within five Y.R.6022 years after it began. Marcus Porcius Cato, deemed the B.C.2502 wisest man in the state, and Scipio Nasica, adjudged by the senate to be the best, differ in opinion, and contend sharply: Cato urging the demolition of Carthage; Nasica arguing against it. It was, however, resolved, that war should be the state of the senate to declared.

declared against the Carthaginians, for having fitted out a fleet, contrary to treaty, and led forth an army beyond the boundaries of their state,; for having committed hostilities against Masinissa, the friend and ally of the Romans; and refusing to admit Gulussa, who accompanied their am-Y.R. 603. baffadors, into their city. Before any forces were em-B. C. 149 barked, ambassadors came from Utica, and surrendered their state and property to the Romans: a circumstance highly pleasing to the Roman senate, and, fame time, a grievous mortification to the Carthagini-Games exhibited at Tarentum, in honour of Pluto, according to directions found in the Sybilline books. The Carthaginians fend thirty ambaffadors to Rome, to make a tender of submission; but the opinion of Cato, that the confuls should be ordered to proceed immediately to the war, prevails. These, passing over into Africa, receive three hundred hostages, and take possession of all the arms, and warlike stores, to be found in Carthage: they then, by authority of the fenate, command them to build themselves a new city, at least ten miles from the sea. this indignant treatment, the Carthaginians resolve to have recourse to arms. Lucius Marcius and Marcus Manilius, confuls, lay siege to Carthage. During this siege, two military tribunes force their way in, with their troops, in a place which they observed to be negligently guarded; they are set upon and beaten by the townsmen, but releued afterwards by Scipio Africanus, who also, with a few horsemen, relieves a Roman fort, attacked by the enemy, in the night. He also repulsed the Carthaginians, who sallied forth, in great force, to attack the camp. When, afterwards, one of the confuls (the other being gone to Rome, to hold the elections) observing, that the siege of Carthage was not going on prosperously, proposed to attack Hasdrubal, who had drawn up his forces in a narrow pass, he, first, advised him not to venture upon an engagement, on ground fo very disadvantageous: and, then, his advice being over-ruled by those who were envious, both of his prudence and valour, he, himself, rushes into the pass; and when, as he foresaw the Romans were routed and put to flight, he returns with a very small body of horse, rescues his friends, and brings them off in fafety. Which valiant action, Cato, although much more inclined to censure than to praise, extols in the fenate in very magnificent terms: faying, that all the others, who were fighting in Africa, were but mere

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shadows; Scipio was life itself: and such was the favour he gained among his fellow-citizens, that at the enfuing, election, the greater number of the tribes voted for electing him conful, although he was under the legal age. Lucius Scribonius, tribune of the people, proposes a law, that the Lusitanians, who, notwithstanding they had surrendered upon the faith of the Roman people, had been fold, in Gaul, by Servius Galba, should be restored to liberty; which Marcus Cato supports with great zeal, as may be seen by his oration, which is still extant, being published in his an-Quintus Fulvius Nobilior, although Cato had then, before, handled him with great feverity, yet he takes up the cause of Galba. Galba himself too, apprehensive of being condemned, taking up in his arms his own two infant children, and the fon of Sulpicius Gallus, speaks, in his own behalf, in fuch a piteous strain of supplication, that the question is carried in his favour. One Andriscus, a man of the meanest extraction, having given himself out to be the son of Perseus, and changed his name to Philip, flies from Rome, whither Demetrius had sent him, on account of this audacious forgery; many people, believing his fabulous account of himself to be true, gather round him, and enable him to raise an army; at the head of which, partly by force, and partly by the willing submission of the people, he acquires the possession of all Macedonia. The story which he propagated was this: that he was the fon of Perfeus by a harlot; that he had been delivered to a certain Cretan woman, to be taken care of, and brought up; in order that whatever might be the event of the war, in which he was, at that time, engaged with the Romans, fome one, at least, of the royal progeny might remain. That, upon the death of Perseus, he was educated at Adramittium, until he was twelve years old; ignorant, all along, of his real parentage, and always supposing himself to be the fon of the person who brought him up. length, this person being ill, and like to die, discovered to him the fecret of his birth; informing him, at the same time, of a certain writing, sealed with the royal signet of Perfeus, which had been entrusted to his supposed mother, to keep and give to him, when he should attain to manhood: but with the strictest injunctions that the affair should be kept a profound fecret, until the arrival of that period. That, when the time came, the writing was delivered to him; in which was indicated a very confiderable treasure, left him

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That the woman, after informing him by his father. fully of the circumstance of his birth, earnestly befought him to quit that part of the country, before the affair should come to the knowledge of Eumenes; who, being the determined enemy of his father Perseus, would, most assuredly, procure him to be murdered. That, fearful of being affalfinated, and in hopes, also, of receiving some affistance from Demetrius, he had gone into Syria; and had there, first, ventured openly to declare who he was.

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THE aforesaid impostor, assuming the name of Philip, B. C. 148. about to invade, and forcibly possess himself of Thessaly, is prevented by the Roman ambassadors, with the aid of the Achæans. Prusias, king of Bithinia, a man abandoned to · the practice of every vice, murdered by his son Nicomedes, assisted by Attalus, king of Pergamus. He had another fon, who in the place of teeth in his upper jaw, had one entire bone. The Romans send an embassy to negotiate peace between Nicomedes and Prusias; it happening that one of the ambassadors had his head deformed by scars, from many wounds; another was lame, from gout, and the third was of weak understanding: Cato said, it was an embassy without head, feet, or heart. The king of Syria was of the royal race of Perseus; but being, like Prusias, addicted to every vicious pursuit, and passing his whole time in tippling-houses, brothels, and such-like places of infamous refort, Ammonius rules in his stead; and puts to death all the king's friends, together with his queen Laodice, and Antigonus, the fon of Demetrius, Masinissa, king of Numidia, a man of a character truly illustrious, dies, aged upwards of ninety years; he retained the vigour of youth even to his last years; and begot a fon at the age of eighty-fix. Publius Scipio Æmilianus, being authorised by his will fo to do, divides his kingdom into three parts, and allots their respective portions of it, to his three sons, Micipfa, Guluffa and Manastabales. Scipio persuades Phamias, general of the Carthaginian cavalry, under Himilco, a man highly looked up to and relied upon by the Carthaginians, to revolt to the Romans, with the troops under his command. Claudius Marcellus, one of the three ambassadors sent to Masinissa, lost in a storm. Hasdrubal, nephew

nephew of Malinissa, put to death by the Carthaginians, who suspected him of treasonable views, on account of his affinity to Gulussa, now the friend of the Romans. Scipio Æmilianus, when a candidate for the ædileship, is, by the people, elected conful, though under age: a violent contest arises upon this, the people supporting, the nobles onpoling, his election; which, at length, terminates in his fa-Marcus Manlius takes several citizens in the neighbourhood of Carthage. The impostor Philip, having sain the prætor Publius Juventius, and vanquished his army, is, himself, afterwards subdued and taken prisoner by Quintus Czcilius, who recovers Macedonia.

BOOK LI.

CARTHAGE, comprehended in a circuit of twenty-three Y.R.605. miles, befieged with immense exertion, and gradually taken; B. C. 147. first, by Mancinus, acting as lieutenant-general; and, afterwards, by Scipio, conful, to whom Africa was voted as his province, without casting lots. The Carthaginians having constructed a new mole, (the old one being destroyed by Scipio,) and equipped, fecretly, in an extraordinary short space of time, a considerable sleet, engage, unsuccessfully, Hasdrubal, with his army, notwithstandin a sea-fight. ing he had taken post in a place of extremely difficult approach, cut off by Scipio: who, at length, mafters the city, Y.R. 606. in the seven hundredth year after its foundation. The B. C. 146. greater part of the spoil returned to the Sicilians, from whom it had been taken. During the destruction of the city, when Hasdrubal had given himself up into Scipio's hands, his wife, who, a few days before, had not been able to prevail upon him to furrender to the conqueror, casts herfelf, with her two children, from a tower, into the flames of the burning city. Scipio, following the example of his father Æmilius Paullus, the conqueror of Macedonia, celebrates folemn games; during which, he exposes the deserters and fugitives to wild beafts. War declared against the Achaans, who had forcibly driven away the Roman ambaffadors, sent to Corinth to separate the cities, under the domipion of Philip, from the Achæan council.

BOOK LII.

QUINTUS CECILIUS METELLUS engages and conquers the Achaens, together with the Boeotians and Chalcidians, Critolaus, their unsuccessful general, poisons himself; in whose room, the Achæans choose Diæus, the chief promoter of the infurrection, general; he, also, is conquered, in an engagement near Isthmos, and all Achaia reduced; Corinth demolished, by order of the senate, because violence had been done there to the ambaffadors. Thebes, also, and Chalcis, for having furnished aid to the Achæans, destroyed. Extraordinary moderation of Mummius, who, having all the vast wealth, and splendid ornaments, of the opulent city of Corinth, in his power, took none of it. Quintus Cæcilius Metellus triumphs, on account of his victory over Andriscus; likewise, Publius Cornelius Scipio, for the con-Y.R. 607. quest of Carthage and Hasdrubal. Viriathus, in Spain, B. C. 145. from a shepherd becomes a hunter, then leader of a band of robbers; afterwards, general of a powerful army, with which, he possesses himself of all Lustania, having vanquished the prætor, Petillius, and put his army to flight. Caius Plautius, prætor, sent against him; is equally unfuccessful. So successful was his career, that, at length, it was deemed necessary to send a consul, at the head of a confular army, against him. Commotions in Syria, and wars between the kings in those parts. Alexander, a man utterly unknown, and of an unknown race, murders Demetrius, and usurps the crown in Syria: he is afterwards slain by Demetrius, (fon of the before-mentioned Demetrius,) aided by Ptolemy, king of Egypt, whose daughter he had married. Ptolemy grievously wounded in the head; dies of the operations intended for the cure of his wounds; is fucceeded by his younger brother, Ptolemy, king of Cyrene, Demetrius, by his cruelty towards his subjects, provokes an insurrection: vanquished by Diodotus, and flies to Seleucia. Diodotus claims the crown for Alexander, a child scarcely two years old. Splendid triumph of Lucius Mummius over the Achæans.

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Appros Claudius, conful, subdues the Salacians, a na- Y.R. 602. tion of the Alps. Another imposter, assuming the name B. C. 144. of Philip, makes his appearance in Macedonia; vanquished by the quæstor, Lucius Tremellius. Quintus Cæcilius Me- Y.R. 609. tellus, proconful, defeats the Celtiberians. Quintus Fa- B. C. 143. bius, proconsul, takes many cities of Lusitania, and recovers the greatest part of that country. Caius Julius, a senator, writes the Roman history, in the Greek language.

BOOK LIV.

QUINTUS POMPEIUS, conful, subdues the Termestines, Y.R. 611. in Spain; makes peace with them, and also with the Nu- B. C. 141. mantians. The census held; the number of citizens amounts to three hundred and twenty-eight thoufand three hundred and forty-two. Ambassadors from Macedonia complain that Decius Junius Silanus, the prætor, had extorted money from that province; the senate, at his defire, refer the inquiry into the matter to Titus Manlius Torquatus, father of Silanus; having finished the inquiry, in his own house, he pronounces his son guilty, and disclaims him; and would not, afterwards, attend his funeral, when he put an end to his life, by hanging himself; but continued to fit at home, and give audience to those who consulted him, as if nothing, which concerned him, had happened. Quintus Fabius, proconful, having successfully Y.R. 612. terminated the war, stains the honour of his victories, by B. C. 140. making peace with Viriathus, upon terms of equality. Ser- Y.R.613. vilius Cæpio procures the death of Viriathus, by traitors; B. C. 139. he is much bewailed, and interred with distinguished funeral honours by his army. He was, in truth, a great man. and a valiant general; and in the fourteen years, during which he carried on war with the Romans, had very frequently vanquished their armies.

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WHILE Publius Cornelius Nasica (who was nicknamed Y.R.614. Serapio, by the plebeian tribune Curiatius, a man of hu- B. C. 138. mour)

mour) and Decius Junius Brutus, the confuls, were holding the levies, an act of public justice was done, in the fight of the whole body of the young men, then affembled, which afforded a very uleful example: Caius Matienus was accused, before the tribunes, of deserting from the army in Spain; being found guilty, he was scourged under the gallows, and fold as a flave, for a very small piece of mo-The tribunes of the people claimed the privilege of exempting from fervice any ten foldiers, whom they thought proper; which being refused by the consuls, they commit them to prison. Junius Brutus, consul in Spain, allots lands, and a town, called Valentia, to the foldiers who had ferved under Viriathus. Marcus Popillius, having made peace with the Numantines, which the senate refused to ratify, is Y.R. 615. routed, and his whole army put to flight. While Caius 3. C. 137. Hostilius Mancinus, the consul, was facrificing, the holy chickens escape from their coop, and fly away; afterwards, as he was getting on board his ship, to fail for Spain, a voice is heard, crying out, "Go not, Mancinus, go not." The event, afterwards, proves these omens to have been inauspicious: for, being vanquished by the Numantines, and driven out of his camp, having no prospect of preserving his army, he made a difgraceful peace, which the fenate refused to ratify. Upon this occasion, thirty thousand Romans were beaten by only four thousand Numantines. Decius Junius Brutus subdues all Lusitania, as far as the western sea; his foldiers refusing to pass the river Oblivion, he Inatches the standard, and carries it over; whereupon, they follow him. The fon of Alexander, king of Syria, traitorously murdered by his guardian Diodotus, furnamed Tryphon: his phyficians were bribed to give out that he had a stone in his bladder; in pretending to cut him for which, they killed him.

BOOK LVI.

Y.R. 616. DECIUS JUNIUS BRUTUS fights the Gallæcians, with suc-B. C. 136. cess, in the farther Spain: Marcus Æmilius Lepidus engages the Vaccæans, unsuccessfully, and is as unsortunate as Mancinus was against the Numantines. The Romans, to absolve themselves of the guilt of breach of treaty, order Mancinus, who made the peace with the Numantines, to

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be delivered up to that people: but they refuse to receive Y.R. 617. The lustrum closed by the censors: the number of B. C. 135. citizens, three hundred and twenty-three thousand. Fulvius Flaccus, conful, subdues the Vardeans in Illyria. Marcus Cosconius, prætor, fights the Scordiscians, in Thrace, and conquers them. The war in Numantia, owing to the ill-conduct of the generals, still continuing, the senate and people voluntarily confer the consulship upon Scipio Africanus: on which occasion the law, which prohibits any man from being elected conful a fecond time, is dispensed with. An insurrection of the slaves in Sicily; Y.R. 618, which, the przetor not being able to quell it, is committed B. C. 134. to the care of the consul Caius Fulvius Eunus, a slave, a Syrian by birth, was the author of this war; by gathering a large body of the rustic slaves, and breaking open the prisons, he raised a considerable army: Cleon, also, another flave, having affembled feventy thousand flaves, joins him; and they, several times, engage the Roman forces in those parts.

BOOK LVII.

Scipio Africanus lays fiege to Numantia. Reduces to Y.R. 619. ftrict discipline the army, now exceedingly licentious, be- B. C. 133. ing corrupted by luxurious indulgence: this he effects by cutting off every kind of pleasurable gratification; driving away the profittutes who followed the camp, to the number of two thousand; keeping the soldiers to hard labour, and compelling every man of them to carry on his shoulders provisions for thirty days, besides seven stakes, for their fortifications; whenever he observed any of them sinking under the burden, he used to cry out, " When you are " able to defend yourself with your sword, then shall you * be eased from your load of timber." He made them carry shields of immense fize and weight; and not unfrequently ridiculed them, for being more expert in managing their shields, for the defence of their own bodies, than their swords, for the annoyance of those of the enemy, When he found any foldier absent from his post, he ordered him to be flogged, with vine twigs, if a Roman; if a foreigner, with rods. He fold all the beafts of burden, that the soldiers might be forced to carry their own bag-He engaged in frequent skirmishes with the enemy, with good success. The Vacceans, being reduced to extremity.

tremity, first, put their wives and children to death, and then slew themselves. Antiochus, king of Syria, having sent him some very magnisicent presents, Scipio, contrary to the practice of other commanders, who used to conceal these royal gifts, received them openly, and ordered the quæstor to place the whole to the public account; and promised, out of them, to reward those who should most distinguish themselves by their valour. When Numantia was closely invested on all sides, he gave orders, that those who came out, in search of victuals, should not be killed: saying, that the more numerous the inhabitants were, the sooner would their provisions be consumed.

BOOK LVIII.

TITUS SEMPRONIUS GRACCHUS, plebeian tribune, having proposed an Agrarian law, (contrary to the sense of the senate, and the equestrian order,) that no person should hold more than five hundred acres of the public lands, wrought himfelf up to fuch a degree of passion, that he deprived his colleague, Marcus Octavius, of his authority, and appointed himself, together with his brother Caius, and his father-in-law Appius Claudius, commissioners for dividing He also proposed another Agrarian law; that the fame commissioners should be authorised to determine which was public, and which private, land; and to fettle the extent of each. When, afterwards, it appeared that there was not land fufficient, to be divided, according to his scheme, and that he had excited the hopes of the people, by the expectations held out to them, he declared that he would propose a law, that all those, who, by the law of Sempronius, were entitled to receive land, should be paid in money, out of the bequest of Attalus, king of Pergamus. The senate was roused to indignation, at such repeated ill-treatment; and chiefly, Publius Mucius the conful, who, having spoken a severe invective speech against Gracchus, in the senate, was seized by him, and dragged before the people, and accused; nevertheless, he continued to inveigh against him from the rostrum. Gracchus endeavouring to procure his re-election, as tribune, flain, in the Capitol, by the chief nobles, by the advice of Publius Cornelius Nasica: is thrown, without the rites of sepulture. into the river, together with fome others, who fell in the tumult.

tumult. Various engagements, with various success, against the flaves in Sicily.

BOOK LIX.

THE Numantines, reduced to the extremity of distress, by famine, put themselves to death. Scipio, having taken the city, destroys it, and triumphs, in the fourteenth year after the destruction of Carthage. The consul, Publius y R. 620. Rupillius, puts an end to the war with the flaves in Sicily. B. C. 132. Aristonicus, the son of king Eumenes, invades and seizes Afia; which, having been bequeathed to the Roman people, by Attalus, ought to be free. The conful, Publius Licinius Crassus, who was also chief priest, marches against him, out of Italy, (which never before was done,) engages him in battle, is beaten and flain. Marcus Peperna, conful, fubdues Aristonicus. Quintus Metellus and Quintus Pomponius, the first plebeians, who were ever, both at one time, elected cenfors, close the lustrum: the number of citizens amount to three hundred and thirteen thousand eight hundred and twenty-three, besides orphans and Quintus Metellus gives his opinion, that every Y.R. 621. man should be compelled to marry, in order to increase the B.C. 131. population of the state. His speech, upon the occasion, is still extant, and so exactly does it apply to the present times, that Augustus Cæsar read it, in the senate, upon occasion of his proposing to remove from marriage all restraints, on account of difference of rank. Caius Atinius Labeo, tribune of the people, orders the censor Quintus Metellus, to be thrown from the Tarpeian rock, for striking him out of the lift of the senate; but the other tribunes interfere and protect him. Quintus Carbo, plebeian Y.R. 623. tribune, proposes a law, that the people might have the B.C. 130. power of re-electing the same tribune as often as they please: Publius Africanus, argues against the proposition, in a speech of great energy, in which he afferts that Tiberius Gracchus was justly put to death. Caius Gracchus supports the proposed law: but Scipio prevails. War between Antiochus king of Syria, and Phraates king of Parthia. Commotions in Ægypt. Ptolemy, surnamed Evergetes, detested by his subjects for his cruelty; his palace fet on fire by the people: he escapes to Cyprus. The people confer the kingdom upon his fifter Cleopatra, who had

had been his wife, but he had divorced her, having, first, ravished, and then married her daughter: incensed at this. he murders the fon he had by her, and fends to her his Y.R. 623. head and limbs. Seditions excited by Fulvius Flaccus, B.C. 129. Caius Gracchus, and Caius Carbo, commissioners for carrying into execution the Agrarian law: these are opposed by Publius Scipio Africanus, who going home at night, in perfect health, is found dead in his chamber the next morning. His wife Sempronia, fifter of the Gracchuses, with whom Scipio was at enmity, is strongly suspected of having given him poison: no inquiry, however, is made into the matter. Upon his death, the popular seditions blaze our with great fury. Caius Sempronius, the conful. fights the lapidæ, at first, unsuccessfully; but soon repairs all his losses, by a signal victory, gained, chiesly by Junius Brutus, the conqueror of Lustania.

BOOK LX.

A REBELLION in Sardinia; quelled by the conful, Lu-B. C. 128. cius Aurelius. Marcus Fulvius Flaccus, who, first, subdued the Transalpine Ligurians, sent to assist the Massilians, against the Salvian Gauls, who were ravaging their country. Lucius Opimius, przetor, subdues the revolted Fre-Y.R.625. gellans, and destroys their town, Fregellæ. An extraordi-B. C. 127. nary multitude of locusts, in Africa, killed and lying dead Y.R. 626. on the ground, produce a pestilence. The censors close B. C. 166. the lustrum: the number of the citizens, three hundred Y.R. 627. and ninety thousand seven hundred and thirty six. B. C. 125. Gracehus, plebeian tribune, the brother of Tiberius, a man professing more eloquence than his brother, carries fome very dangerous laws; among others, one, respecting corn, that the people shall be supplied with corn in the market, at the rate of half and a third of an as: another was, an Agrarian law, the fame as his brother's: and a third, intended to corrupt the equestrian order, who, at that time, were subservient, in all their opinions, to the senate: it was, that six hundred of them should be taken into the fenate. At that time the senate consisted of only three hundred members: the operation of the law was to throw all the power into the hands of this order, by introducing, of them, double the number of the ancient fenators. His office being continued to him another year, by new

Agrarian laws, he causes several colonies to be led out into various parts of Italy; and one, which he conducted himself, to be established on the soil where Carthage, now demolished, formerly stood. Successful expedition of the Y.R.618. consul Quintus Metellus against the Balearians, called by B.C. 124. the Greeks, Gymnelians, because they go naked all the fummer. They are called Balearians, from their skill in throwing weapons: or, as some will have it, from Baleus, the companion of Hercules, who left him there behind him, when he failed to Geryon. Commotions in Syria, in Y. R. 630. which Cleopatra murders her husband Demetrius; and also B. C. 121. his fon Seleucus, for affuming the crown, without her conseat, upon his father's death.

BOOK LXI.

CAIUS SEXTIUS, proconful, having subdued the nation Y. R. 610. of the Salyans, founds a colony, which he names Aque B. C. ass. Sextize, after his own name, and on account of the plenty of water, which he found there, llowing both from hot and cold springs. Cneius Domitius, proconsul, fights the Y. R. 635. Allobrogians, with success, at the town of Vindalium. B. C. EZE. The cause of this war was, their receiving, and furnishing with all the aid in their power, Teutomalius, the king of the Salyans, who had fled to them; and ravaging the lands of the Æduans, who were in alliance with the people of Rome. Caius Gracchus, upon the expiration of his fe- Y.R. 642. ditious tribunate, seizes upon the Aventine mount, with a B. C. 220. confiderable number of armed followers; Lucius Opimius, by a decree of the senate, arms the people, drives him from thence, and puts him to death; also, Fulvius Flaccus, a man of confular rank, affociated with him in criminality. Quintus Fabius Maximus, the conful, nephew of Paullus, gains a battle against the Allobrogians, and Bituitus king of the Arvernians; in which one thousand one hundred and twenty men of the army of Bituitus, are flain. He comes himself Y. R. 622. to Rome, to make satisfaction to the senate, and is sent B. C. 219. prisoner to Alba, there to be kept in custody, it not being deemed safe to send him back to Gaul. A decree, also, passes, that his son Congentiatus should be taken, and sent to Rome. Submission of the Allobrogians. Lucius Opimius brought to trial, before the people, for committing to prison some citizens who had not been condemned; acquitted... BOOK

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THE conful Quintus Marcius subdues the Stonians, an B. C. 118. Alpine nation. Micipsa king of Numidia, dying, bequeaths his kingdom to his three fons, Atherbal, Hiempfal, and Y.R.635. Jugurtha, his nephew, whom he had adopted. Metellus B. C. 117. subdues the Dalmatians. Jugurtha goes to war with his brother Hiempfal; vanquishes and puts him to death: drives Atherbal from his kingdom; who is restored by the senate.

Y. R. 636. Lucius Cæcilius Metellus, and Cneius Domitius Aheno-B. C. 116. barbus, censors, expel thirty-two senators. Disturbances Y. R. 637. in Syria. B. C. 115.

BOOK LXIII.

Catus Porcius, the consul, combats the Scordiscians, Y.R.638. B. C. 114. in Thrace, unsuccessfully. The lustrum closed by the cenfors: the number of the citizens amounts to three hunred and ninety-four thousand three hundred and thirtyfix. Æmilia, Licinia, and Marcia, vestals, found guilty of Y.R. 139. incest. The Cimbrians, a wandering people, come into B.C. 143. Illyria, where they fight with, and defeat, the army of the Y. R. 640. conful Papirius Carbo. The conful Livius Drufus, makes B. C. 412. war upon the Scordiscians, a people descended from the Gauls; vanquishes them, and gains great honour.

воок LXIV.

JUGURTHA attacks Atherbal, belieges him in Cirtha, and puts him to death, contrary to the express commands of Y.R.641. the fenate. For this war is declared against him, which B. C. 121. being committed to the conduct of the conful, Calpurnius Bestia, he makes peace with Jugurtha, without authority Y.R. 642. from the senate and people. Jugurtha, called upon to de-B.C. 110. clare who were his advisers, comes to Rome, upon the faith of a safe-conduct; he is supposed to have bribed many of the principal fenators with money. He murders Massiva, who sought, through the hatred which he saw the Romans bore to him, to procure his kingdom for himself. Being ordered to stand his trial, he escapes; and is reported to have said, on going away, "O venal city! doomed to " quick

quick perdition, could but a purchaser be found!" Aulus Postumius, having unsuccessfully fought Jugurtha, adds to his disgrace, by making an ignominious peace with him; which the senate refuses to ratify.

BOOK LXV.

QUINTUS CECILIUS METELLUS, consul, defeats Jugur- Y.R. 643. tha, in two battles, and ravages all Numidia. Marcus B. C. 109. Junius Silanus, conful, combats the Cimbrians, unfuccessfully. The Cimbrian ambaffadors petition the senate for a settlement and lands; are refused. Marcus Minucius, con- Y.R. 644. ful, vanquishes the Thracians. Cassius, the consul, with B.C. 108. his army, cut off by the Tigurine Gauls, in the country of the Helvetians. The foldiers, who furvived that unfortunate action, condition for their lives, by giving hostages, and agreeing to deliver up half their property.

BOOK LXVI.

JUGURTHA driven out of Numidia by Caius Marius, re- Y. R. 645. ceives aid from Bocchus, king of the Moors. Bocchus, B. C. 107. having lost a battle, and being unwilling to carry on the Y.R. 646. war any longer, delivers up Jugurtha, in chains, to Marius. In this action, Lucius Cornelius Sylla, quæstor under Marius, most highly distinguishes himself.

BOOK LXVII.

MARCUS AURELIUS SCAURUS, lieutenant-general under Y.R. 647. the consul, taken prisoner by the Cimbrians, his army B. C. 135. being routed: flain by Boiorix, for faying, in their council, when they talked of invading Italy, that the Romans were not to be conquered. Cneius Mallius, conful, and Quintus Servilius Cæpio, proconful, taken prisoners, by the same enemy, who defeated their armies and drove them from both their camps, with the loss of eighty thousand men, and forty thousand sutlers, and other followers of the camp. The goods of Cæpio, whose rashness was the cause of this misfortune, fold by auction, by order of the people; being the first person whose goods were confiscated, since VOL. VI.

Y.R. 648. the dethroning of king Tarquin. Jugurtha, and his two B. C. 104. fons, led in triumph, before the chariot of Caius Marius; put to death in prison. Marius enters the senate, in his triumphal habit; the first person that ever did so: on account of the apprehensions entertained of a Cimbrian war, he is continued in the consulship for several years, being elected a second, and a third time, in his absence: dissembling his views, he attains the consulship a sourth time. The Cimbrians, having ravaged all the country between the Rhine and the Pyrennees, pass into Spain; where having ravaged many parts of the country, they are, at length, put to slight by the Celtiberians: returning into Gaul, they join the Teutons, a warlike people.

BOOK LXVIII.

Marcus Antonius, prætor, attacks the pirates, and B. C. 103. cnaces them into Cilicia. The conful, Caius Marius, attacked by the Teutons and Ambrogians, with their utmost force, defends himself; and afterwards, in two battles, in the neighbourhood of Aquæ Sextiæ, utterly defeats them, with the loss, it is said, of two hundred thousand killed, and ninety thousand taken prisoners. Marius elected conful, in his absence, a fifth time. A triumph offered to him, which he defers, until he shall have subdued the Cim-Y.R. 650. brians also. The Cimbrians drive Quintus Catulus, the B. C. 102. proconful, from the Alps, where he had possessed himself of the narrow passes, and erected a castle to command the river Athesis, which he abandons. They pass into Italy. Catulus and Marius, having effected a junction of their forces, fight and vanquish them: in this battle, we are told that there fell, one hundred and forty thousand of the enemy, and that fixty thousand were taken. Marius, on his return to Rome, is received with the highest honours. by the whole body of the citizens; two triumphs offered him, but he contents himself with one. The principal men in the state, who were, for some time, extremely envious that such distinguished honours should be conferred upon a new man, now acknowledge him to have faved the Y.R.651. commonwealth. Publicius Malleolus executed for the B.C. 101. murder of his mother; being the first that ever was sewn up in a fack and cast into the sea. The sacred shields, are faid to have shaken, with considerable noise, previous to the conclusion of the Cimbrian war. Wars between the kings of Syria.

LXIX. BOOK

Lucius Apuleius Saturninus, aided by Marius, the soldiers having killed his competitor, Aulus Nonius, forcibly elected przetor, exercises his office, with a violence equal to that by which he obtained it. Having procured an Agrarian law, he fummons Metellus Numidicus to stand his trial before the people, for refuling to swear to the obfervance of it. Metellus, notwithstanding he enjoyed the protection of all the best men in the state, yet, being unwilling to furnish matter of dispute, retires into voluntary exile, to Rhodes: there he passed his time entirely in study, and in receiving the visits of men of eminent character. On his departure, Caius Marius, who was, in fact, the Y.R. 622. chief promoter of the sedition, and who had now pur- B. C. 100. chased a fourth consulship, by openly distributing money among the tribes, pronounced sentence of banishment upon him. The same Saturninus murders Caius Memmius, who was a candidate for the confulship, fearing lest he might have, in him, a strenuous opposer of his evil actions. The fenate, at length, roused by such repeated acts of enormity, and Marius (a man of a very versatile character, and always defirous of being on the strong side, if he could any way discover it) joining them, Saturninus, together with Glaucias, the prætor, and some others of his mad affociates, is attacked by force of arms, and flain by one Rabirius. Quintus Czcilius Metellus, honourably recalled Y.R. 655. from banishment. Marcus Aquillius, proconsul, puts an B. C. 99. end to the war of the flaves in Sicily.

BOOK LXX.

MARCUS AQUILLIUS, accused of extortion, refuses to Y.R.654. implore the favour of the judges appointed to try him; B. C. 98. whereupon Marcus Antonius, his advocate, cuts open his vest, and shews the scars of his honourable wounds, received in front; upon fight of which, he is immediately acquitted. This fact is related upon the authority of Cicero, only. Successful expedition of Didius, the proconful, Y. R. 645. against B. C. 97.

Y.R. 656. against the Celtiberians. Ptolemy, king of Cyrene, dies 3 B. C. 96. bequeathes his kingdom to the Roman people: the fenate Y.R.657. decrees that the cities of his kingdom shall be free. Ario-B. C. 95. barzanes restored to his kingdom of Cappadocia, by Lucius Ambassadors from Arfaces, king of Parthia, come to Sylla, to folicit the friendship of the Roman people. Y. R. 658. Publius Rutilius, a man of the strictest integrity, having ex-B. C. 94. erted himself, when lieutenant-general under Quintus Mucius, proconsul, to protect the people of Asia from the oppression of the revenue farmers, becomes odious, on that account, to the equestrian order, who had the cognisance of affairs of that nature; is brought to trial, and condemned Y.R. 659. to exile. Caius Geminius, prætor, unfortunate in an expedition against the Thrac ans. The senate, disgusted by B. C. 91. Y. R. 66a. the many abuses committed by the equestrian order, in the B. C. 92. exercise of their jurisdiction, endeavour to bring that jurisdiction into their own hands; they are supported by Marcus Livius Drusus, plebeian tribune; who, in order

BOOK LXXI.

to gain the people, holds out to them the pernicious hope of a pecuniary gratification. Commotions in Syria.

Y. R.661. MARCUS LIVIUS DRUSUS, plebeian tribune, in order the B. C. 91. more effectually to support the senate in their pretensions, engages the concurrence of the allies, and the Italian states, by promifing them the freedom of the city, aided by them, besides the agrarian and corn laws, he carries that, also, relative to criminal jurisdiction: that in capital profecutions the fenate should have equal authority with the equestrian order. It is, afterwards, found that the freedom of the city, which he had promifed them, cannot be conferred upon them; which much incenses them, and incites them to An account of their affembling, their combinations, and of the speeches made at their meetings, by the chief men among them. Drusus becomes obnoxious to the senate, on account of his conduct in this affair; is confidered as the cause of the social war; is slain, in his own house, by an unknown hand.

BOOK LXXII.

THE Italian states, the Picentians, Vestinians, Marcians, Pelignians, Marrucinians, Samnites, and Lucanians, revolt. The war begins with the Picentians. Quintus Servilius, proconsul, murdered, in the town of Asculum, and all the Roman citizens in the place. The whole body of the Roman people assume the military dress. Servius Galba, taken by the Lucanians, escapes, by the assistance of a woman with whom he lodged. Asserbed Y.R. 662. by the Italians. Aid sent to the Romans, by the Latines, B. C. 90. and other foreign nations. Military operations, expeditions, and sieges, on both sides.

BOOK LXXIII.

THE conful, Lucius Julius Cæfar engages the Samnites unfuccessfully. The colony of Nola falls into the hands of the Samnites, together with Lucius Postumius, the prætor, whom they kill. Many different states go over to the enemy. Publius Rutilius slain in an engagement, with the Marcians; Caius Marius, his lieutenant-general, fights them with better fuccess. Servius Sulpicius defeats the Pelignians, in a pitched battle. Quintus Cæpio, Rutilius's lieutenant-general, makes a successful fally against the enemy besieging him: on account of which success, he is made equal in command to Marius; becomes adventurous and rash; is surprised in an ambuscade, his army routed, and himself sain. Successes of the consul Lucius Cæsar against the Samnites; on account of his conquests, the inhabitants of Rome lay aside the military habit. The war carried on with various success. Æsernia, with Marcellus, falls into the hands of the Samnites; Caius Marius vanquishes the Marcians, and kills Herius Asinius, the prætor of the Marrucinians. Caius Cæcilius subdues the rebellious Salvians in Transalpine Gaul.

Y. R. 663,

B. C. 89.

BOOK LXXIV.

CNEIUS POMPESUS defeats the Picentians, in battle, and lays siege to their town; on account of this victory, the inhabitants of Rome resume their purple robes, and other usual ornaments of dress, and distinguishing marks of magiffracy. Caius Marius fights an undecided battle with Freedmen's fons now, for the first time, the Marcians. received into the army. Aulus Plotius subdues the Umbrians, and Lucius Porcius the Marcians, both of whom had revolted. Nicomedes restored to the kingdom of Bithynia, and Ariobarzanes, to that of Capadocia. Cneius Pompeius, consul, overthrows the Marcians in a pitched battle. The citizens being deeply involved in debt, Aulus Sempronius Ascilio, prætor, is murdered in the Forum, by the usurers, in consequence of some judgments given by him in savour of debtors. Incursion of the Thracians, and devastations committed by them against the Macedonians.

BOOK LXXV.

AULUS POSTUMIUS ALBINUS, commander of a fleer, upon a suspicion of treachery, murdered by the forces under his command. Lucius Cornelius Sylla, lieutenant-general, defeats the Samnites in an engagement, and takes two of their camps. The Vestinians surrender to Cneius Pompeius. Lucius Porcius, consul, having been successful in frequent engagements with the Marcians, slain in an attack upon their camp, which circumstance decides the victory in favour of the enemy. Cosconius and Luceius overthrow the Samnites in a battle, flay Marius Egnatius, the most distinguished of their generals, and receive the surrender of many of their towns. Lucius Sylla subdues the Hirpinians, defeats the Samnites in many battles, and receives the submission of several states: in consequence of having performed fo many distinguished services, he repairs to Rome to folicit the confulship.

BOOK LXXVL

AULUS GABINIUS defeats the Lucanians, and takes several of their towns; is slain in an attack on their camp. Sulpicius, a lieutenant-general, commits military execution on the Marrucinians, and reduces their whole country. Cneius Pompeius, proconsul, forces the Vestinians and Pelignians to submission. Also the Marcians, defeated in several battles, by Lucius Murena and Cæcilius Pius, sue for peace. Asculum taken by Cneius Pompeius, and the Italians, Y. R. 664, there, put to death by Mamercus Æmilius. Silo Pom-B. C. St. padius, the author of the revolt, killed in an action. Ariobarzanes, king of Cappadocia, and Nicomedes, king of Bithynia, driven out of their kingdoms by Mithridates, king of Pontus. Predatory incursions of the Thracians into Macedonia.

BOOK LXXVII.

Publius Sulpicius, tribune of the people, (having, with the aid of Caius Marius, carried certain laws: that those who had been banished, should be recalled; that the newlycreated citizens, and the fons of freedmen, should be diftributed among the tribes, and that Caius Marius should be appointed general against Mithridates,) commits violence against Quintus Pompeius and Lucius Sylla, the consuls, who had opposed these proceedings; kills Quintus, the fon of Pompeius, who was married to Sylla's daughter. Lucius Sylla comes into the town with an army, and fights the faction of Sulpicius and Marius, in the city; he gets the better of them, and drives them out. Twelve of them. among whom are Caiuse Marius the father, and his ion, condemned by the senate. Publius Sulpicius, having concealed himself in a farm-house, in the neighbourhood, is discovered by one of his slaves, apprehended, and put to death. The flave being entitled to the reward promised to the discoverer, is made free; and is then thrown from the Tarpeian rock, for having traiteroully betrayed his master. Caius Marius, the for, passes over into Africa. Caius Marius, the father, having concealed himself in the marshes of Minturna, is seized by the townspeople: 'a Gallic slave.

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sent to dispatch him, terrified at his majestic appearance, retires, unable to accomplish the deed: he is sent off to Africa, in a ship belonging to the state. Lucius Sylla makes a confiderable reform in the state; fends forth several co-Cneius Pompeius, proconful, procures the murder of Quintus Pompeius, the conful, who was to have fucceeded him in the command of the army. Mithridates, king of Pontus, seizes Bithynia and Cappadocia, having driven from thence the Roman general, Aquillius; at the head of a great army enters Phrygia, a province belonging to the Roman people.

LXXVIII. BOOK

MITHRIDATESpoffesses himself of Asia; throws into chains Quintus Oppius, the proconful, and Aquillius, the general, orders all the Romans in Asia, to be massacred on the same day; attacks the city of Rhodes, the only one which had retained its fidelity to the Roman state; being overcome Y.R. 665. in several actions at sea, he retreats. Archelaus, one of the king's governors, invades Greece; takes Athens. Commotions in feveral states and islands, some endeavouring to draw over their people to the fide of the Romans, others to that of Mithridates.

LXXIX. BOOK

LUCIUS CORNELIUS SYLLA, having, by force and arms. procured the enacting of several injurious laws, is driven out of the city by his colleague Cneius Octavius, together with fix plebeian tribunes. Thus deposed from his authority, he procures the command of the army under Appius Claudius, by bribery, and makes war upon the city, having called to his affiftance, Caius Marius, and other exiles, from Africa. In this war, two brothers, one of Pompeius's army, the other of Cinna's, encounter each other, without knowing it; the conqueror, upon stripping the other, whom he had flain, discovers him to be his brother; whereupon, in the agony of grief, he kills himself, and, having erected a funeral for his brother, is, himself, confumed in the same flames. This war might easily have been suppressed, in the beginning, but is kept up by the artifices

artifices of Fompeius, who underhand encouraged both parties, and kept himself aloof, till much of the best blood in the state was spilt: the consul, also, was singularly languid and negligent. Cinna and Marius, with four armies, two of which were commanded by Sertorius and Carbo, lay siege to the city. Marius takes Ostia, which he plunders in the most cruel manner.

BOOK LXXX.

THE freedom of the city of Rome granted to the Itasian states. The Samnites, the only people who continue in arms, josn Cinna and Marius, and overthrow Plautius's army, killing the general. Cinna and Marius seize the Janiculum; repelled by the conful Octavius. Marius plunders Antium, Aricia, and Lanuvium. The principal men in the state, having now no hope of relisting, on account of the cowardice and treachery of their troops and the commanders, most of whom had been gained by bribes, receive Cinna and Marius into the city; as if it were a captured city, they murder the inhabitants, and plunder them, in the most cruel manner: they put to death the consul Cneius Octavius, and all the chiefs of the opposite party; among others, Marcus Antonius, a man highly distinguished for his eloquence, and Lucius and Caius Cæsar, whose heads they flick up on the rostrum. The younger Crassus slain by a party of horsemen at Fimbria; his father, to escape suffering indignity, kills himself. Cinna and Marius, without even the formality of an election, declare themselves con-The first day of their entering upon office, Marius, after having committed very many atrocious acts, dies, on the ides of January; a man, whom, if we compare his vices with his virtues, it, will be difficult to pronounce whether he were a greater man in war, or a more wicked one in peace: having preserved his country by his valour, he ruined it, afterwards, by every species of artifice and fraud; and, finally, destroyed it by open force.

BOOK LXXXL

LUCIUS SYLLA besieges Athens, held by Archelaus, under Y. R. 666. Mithridates, and takes it, after an obstinate resistance: the B. C. 86. city,

city, and such of the inhabitants as remained alive, restored to liberty. Magnesia, the only city in Asia, which continued faithful, defended against Mithridates, with great valour. The Thracians invade Macedonia.

BOOK LXXXIL

SYLLA defeats the king's army in Thessay, killing one hundred thousand men, and taking their camp. The war being renewed, he entirely routs and destroys the king's army. Archelaus, with the royal fleet, surrenders to Sylla. Lucius Valerius Flaccus, Cinna's colleague in the consulthip, appointed to succeed Sylla, in the command of his army, becomes so odious to his men, on account of his avaice, that he is slain by Caius Fimbria, his lieutenant-general, a man of consummate audacity, who, thereupon, assumes the command. Several cities in Asia taken by Mithridates, who treats them with extreme cruelty. Invasion of Macedonia by the Thracians.

BOOK LXXXIII.

CAIUS FIMBRIAS having defeated several of Mithridates's Y. R. 667. B. C. 85. generals, in Asia, takes the city of Pergamus, and is very near making the king captive. He takes and destroys the city of Ilion, which adhered to Sylla, and recovers a great part of Asia. Sylla overcomes the Thracians in several battles. Lucius Cinna and Cne us Papirius Carbo, having declared themselves consuls, make preparations for war against Sylla; Lucius Valerius Flaccus moves the fenate, and, affifted by those who were desirous of peace, prevails, that a deputation, should be fent to Sylla, to treat of terms. Cinna, attempting to force his men to embark and go against Sylla, Y R. 668. is flain by them. Carbo fole conful. Sylla makes peace. in Afia, with Mithridates, upon condition that the king B. C. 84. shall evacuate Asia, Bithynia, and Cappadocia. F.mbria, deferted by his army, which went over to Sylla, puts himfelf to death.

BOOK LXXXIV.

SYLLA answers the deputies, that he would yield to the authority of the senate, upon condition that those who, being

being banished by Cinna, had fled to him, should be reftored: which proposition appears reasonable to the fenate, but is opposed, and rejected by Carbo, and his faction, who conceive that they may derive more advantage from a continuance of the war. Carbo, requiring hostages from all the towns and colonies of Italy, to bind them more firmly in union against Sylla, is over-ruled by the senate. The right of voting given to the new citizens, by a decree of the senate. Quintus Metellus Pius, who had taken part with the chief men of the state, prepares for war in Africa; is crushed by Caius Fabius, the prætor. Carbo's Y. R. 669. faction and the Marian party procure a decree of the senate, B. C. 33. that all the armies, every where, shall be disbanded. The fons of freedmen distributed among the thirty-five tribes. Preparations for war against Sylla.

BOOK LXXXV.

Sylla enters Italy, at the head of an army; his ambaffadors ill treated by Norbanus, the conful, whom he, afterwards, defeats in battle. Having, ineffectually, tried every means with Lucius Scipio, the other conful, to bring about a peace, he prepares to attack his camp, when the conful's whole army, feduced by some of his soldiers, who had infinuated themselves among them, desert to him in a body. Having Scipio in his power, he fets him free, when he might have killed him. Cneius Pompeius, the fon of Pompeius who took Asculum, raises an army of volunteers, and goes over to Sylla, with three legions: also, the whole body of the nobility quit the city, and join his camp. Sundry actions in different parts of Italy.

BOOK LXXXVL

CAIUS MARIUS, son of Caius Marius, made consul, by Y.R. 670. force, before he was twenty years old. Caius Fabius burn- B. C. 82. ed alive in his tent, in Africa, for his avarice and extortion. Lucius Philippus, Sylla's lieutenant-general, having overthrown and killed the prætor Quintus Antonius, takes Sardinia. Sylla, in order to conciliate the different Italian states. makes a league with them, contracting, not to deprive them of the city, and the right of voting lately conferred upon them. So confident is he of the victory, that he publishes

an order, that all suitors, bound by sureties, should make their appearance at Rome, although the city was yet in the possession of the opposite party. Lucius Damasippus, the prætor, having called together the senate, at the desire of Marius, murders what remains of the nobility in the city; among them Quintus Mucius Scævola, the high priest, endeavouring to make his escape, is killed in the vestibule of the temple of Vesta. The war, in Asia, against Mithridates, renewed by Lucius Muræna.

BOOK LXXXVII.

SYLLA, having subdued and destroyed CAIUS Marius's army, at Sacriportus, lays siege to Præneste, where Marius had taken resuge; recovers Rome, out of the hands of his enemies. Marius attempting to break forth from Præneste, is repelled. Successes of the different commanders under him, every where.

BOOK LXXXVIII.

Sylla, having routed and cut off the army of Carbo, at Clusium, Faventia, and Fidentia, drives him entirely out of Italy; fights and overthrows the Samnites, the only nation in Italy which still continued in arms. Having restored the affairs of the commonwealth, he stains his glorious victory with the most atrocious cruelties ever committed; he murders eight thousand men, in the Villa Publica, who had submitted and laid down their arms, and publishes a list of persons proscribed: he fills with blood the city of Rome, and all Italy. All the Prænestines, without exception, although they had laid down their arms, he orders to be murdered: he kills Marius, a senator, by breaking his legs and arms, cutting off his ears, and scooping out his eyes. Caius Marius, besieged at Præneste, by Lucretius Afella, and other partifans of Sylla, endeavours to escape through a mine; failing in which attempt, he puts himself to death.

BOOK LXXXIX.

Lucius Brutus sent, in a fishing-boat, from Cossura, by Cneius Papirius Carbo, to Lilybæum, to discover if Pompeius were there, is furrounded by some of Pompeius's vessels, whereupon, he puts himself to death. Cneius Pompeius, sent by the senate to Sicily, with full powers, takes Carbo prisoner, and puts him to death, who dies weeping with womanly weakness. Sylla made dictator; assumes a state never before feen, walking, preceded by twenty-four lictors. He establishes many new regulations in the state; abridges the authority of the plebeian tribunes; takes from them entirely the power of proposing laws; increases the college of priests and augurs to fifteen; fills up the senate from the equestrian order; takes from the descendants of the proscribed persons all power of reclaiming the property of their ancestors, and fells fuch of their effects as had not been already confiscated, to the amount of one hundred and fifty millions of sesterces. He orders Lucretius Ofella to be put to death in the Forum, for having declared himself a candidate for the confulthip, without having previously obtained his permiffion; at which the people of Rome being offended, he calls a meeting, and tells them, that Ofella was flain by his orders. Cneius Pompeius vanquishes and kills Cneius Do. Y.R. 671. mitius, one of the profcribed persons, in Africa; also Hi- B. C. St. arbas, king of Numidia, who was making preparations for war, and triumphs over Africa, although not more than twenty-four years of age, and only of equeltrian rank, which never happened to any man before. Caius Norbonus, a man of confular rank, being proferibed, feeks fafety at Rhodes, where, being discovered, he puts himself to Mutilus, one of the profcribed, coming privately, in disguise, to the back door of his wife Bastia's house, the refuses to admit him, telling him, that he was proscribed; whereupon, he stabs himself, and sprinkles the door of his wife's house with his blood. Sylla takes Nola, a city of the Samnites. He leads forth forty-seven legions, into the con- Y.R. 674. quered lands, and divides them among them. He befieges B. C. 80. and takes the town of Volaterra, which full held out; also, Y.R. 673. he takes and demolishes Mitylene, the only town in Asia which continued to adhere to Mithridates,

BOOK XC.

Y. R. 674B. C. 78.

DEATH of Sylla; he is burried in the Campus Martius, by a decree of the senate. Marcus Æmilius Lepidus, by attempting to rescind the acts of Sylla, raises a new war; is driven out of Italy, by his colleague, Quintus Catulus; and, endeavouring to excite a war in Sardinia, loses his life.

Marcus Brutus, who held possession of Cisalpine Gaul, slain by Cneius Pompeius. Quintus Sertorius, one of the proferibed, raises a formidable war in the farther Spain. Lucius Manilius, proconsul, and Marcus Domitus, overthrown in a battle by the quæstor Hercule us. Expedition

BOOK XCI.

of the proconful, Publius Servilius, against the Cilicians.

CNEIUS POMPEIUS, while yet only of equestrian rank, sent against Sertorius with consular authority. Sertorius takes several cities, and reduces many others to submission. The proconsul, Appius Claudius, conquers the Thracians Y.R. 676. in several battles. Quintus Metellus, proconsul, cuts off B.C. 76. Herculeius, with his whole army.

BOOK XCII.

CNEIUS POMPRIUS fights an undecided battle with Sertorius, the wings on each fide being reciprocally beaten.

Quintus Metellus conquers Sertorius and Peperna, with both their armies; Pompeius, desirous of having a share in this victory, engages in the action, but without success.

Sertorius, besieged in Clunia, makes frequent sallies, to the great loss of the besiegers. Successful expedition of Curio, the proconsul, against the Dardanians. Cruelties of Sertorius, against his own partisans, many of whom he puts to death, upon pretended suspicion of treachery.

BOOK XCIII.

Publius Servicius, proconful in Cilicia, fubdues the Isaurians, and takes several cities belonging to the pirates. Nicomedes king of Bithynia, dying, bequeaths his dominions.

hions to the Roman people, who reduce them into the form of a province. Mithridates makes a league with Ser- Y.R. 678. torius, and declares war against Rome; makes vast preparations, both of land and fea forces, and feizes Bithynia. Marcus Aurelius Cotta overcome in an action by the king, at Chalcedon. Pompeius and Metellus conduct the war against Sertorius, who proves fully equal to them in all the arts of war. Sertorius raifes the fiege of Calgurius, and compels them to retreat into different countries. Metellus into the farther Spain, Pompeius into Gaul.

BOOK XCIV.

Lucius Licinius Lucullus, consul, defeats Mithridrates, in an action between their cavalry, and makes feveral fuccessful expeditions; a mutiny among his soldiers, ariting from an eager defire of fighting, repressed. Deiotarus, tetrarch of Gallogræcia, kills certain officers of Mithridates, who were stirring up war in Phrygia. Successes of Pompeius, against Sertorius, in Spain.

BOOX XCV.

CAIUS CURIO, proconsul, subdues the Dardanians, in Y.R. 679. Thrace. Seventy-four gladiators, belonging to Lentulus, B. C. 73. make their escape from Capua; having collected a great number of flaves and hired fervants, and putting themselves under the command of Crixus and Spartacus, they attack and defeat Claudius Pulcher, a lieutenant-general, and Publius Varenus, prætor. Lucius Lucullus, proconful, destroys the army of Mithridates, by the sword and famine, at Cyzicus; that king, driven from Bithynia, having fuffered much, in several engagements and shipwrecks, is, at length, obliged to fly to Pontus.

BOOK XCVI.

QUINTUS ARRIUS, the przetor, defeats and kills Crixus, Y.R.680. the commander of the fugitive gladiators. Cneius Len- B. C. 72. tulus, the conful, engages Spartacus unsuccessfully, who also defeats Lucius Gellius, the consul, and Quintus Ar-

rius.

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rius, the prætor. Sertorius slain, at a feast, in the eighth year of his command, by Manius Antonius, Marcus Peperna, and other conspirators: he was a great general, and being opposed to two commanders, Pompeius and Metellus, was often equal, and sometimes even superior, to both of them; at last, being deserted and betrayed, the command of his sorce devolved upon Peperna, whom Pompeius took prisoner and slew, and recovered Spain, towards the close of the tenth year of that war. Spartacus gains another victory, against Caius Cassius, the proconsul, and Cneius Manlius, the prætor: the charge of that war committed to the prætor, Marcus Crassus.

BOOK XCVII.

Y. R. 681. Marcus Crassus, the prætor, engages with and defeats B. C. 71. an army of the fugitives, confisting of Gauls and Germans, killing thirty-five thousand of them, together with their general, Granicus: afterwards, he fights Spartacus, whom he conquers, killing him and forty thousand men. war against the Cretans, unfortunately undertaken, finishes with the death of the prætor, Marcus Antonius. Lucullus, proconful, fubducs the Thracians. Lucius Lucullus gives battle to Mithridates, in Pontus; Y.R. 682. comes him, killing fixty thousand men. Marcus Crassus B. C. 70. and Cneius Pompeius, elected consuls; the latter being only of the equestrian order, not having yet served the office of quæstor; they restore the tribunitian power. The

to Tigranes, king of Armenia.

BOOK XCVIIL

right of trial transferred to the Roman knights, by the pretor, Lucius Aurelius Cotta. The affairs of Mithridates being reduced to a state of desparation, he slies for refuge

A TREATY of friendship made by Machares, son of Mithridates, king of Bosphorus, with Lucius Lucullus. Cneius Lentulus and Caius Galius, censors, exercise their office with extreme rigour; they expel sixty-sour senators. The lustrum closed: the number of citizens amounts to sour hundred and sifty thousand. Lucius Metellus, prætor, is successful against the pirates in Sicily. The temple of Juniter

piter in the Capitol, having been consumed by fire, rebuilt, and dedicated by Quintus Catulus. Lucius Lucullus de- Y.R. 684. feats Mithridates and Tigranes, with their vast armies, in B.C. 68. Armenia, in several battles. The war against the Cretans being committed to the charge of the proconsul, Quintus Metellus, he lays siege to the city of Cydonia. Lucius Y.R. 685. Triarius, a lieutenant-general of Lucullus, defeated in a B.C. 67. battle against Mithridates. Lucullus prevented, by a sedition in his army, from pursuing Mithridates and Tigranes, and completing his victory; the principal authors of the sedition were the Valerian legions, who resused to follow Lucullus, alleging that they had served out their time.

BOOK XCIX.

THE proconful, Quintus Metellus, takes Gnossus, Lyctum, Cydonia, and many other cities. Lucius Roscius, plebeian tribune, carries a law, that the fourteen lower seats in the theatre shall be allotted to the Roman knights. Cneius Pompeius, being ordered by a law, which had the sanction of the people, to proceed against the pirates, who had interrupted the commerce of corn, in forty days drives them every where from the sea; and having finished the war against them in Cilicia, reduces them to submission, and assigns them lands and towns. Successes of Metellus against the Cretans. Letters between Metellus and Pompeius. Metellus complains, that Pompeius had treated him injuriously, in sending a deputy of his own to receive the submission of the Cretans: Pompeius alleges, that he had a right to do so.

BOOK C.

CAIUS MANILIUS, tribune of the people, to the great Y.R.686. diffatisfaction of the nobility, proposes, that the Mithrida- B.C. 66. tic war should be committed to the conduct of Pompeius. His excellent speech upon that occasion. Quintus Metellus, having subdued Crete, imposes laws upon that hitherto free island. Cneius Pompeius, setting out for the war against Mithridates, renews the treaty of friendship with Phraates, king of Parthia; overcomes Mithridates in an vol. VI.

engagement between their cavalry. War between Phraates, king of Parthia, and Tygranes, king of Armenia; afterwards, between the father and fon Tigranes.

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CNEIUS POMPEIUS vanquishes Mithridates, in a battle fought in the night, and compels him to fly to Bosphorus; reduces Tigranes to submission, taking from him, Syria, Phœnicia, and Cilicia; restores to him his own kingdom of Armenia. A conspiracy to murder the consuls suppressed; the authors of it were certain persons, who had been convicted of unlawful practices, when candidates for the consultation fulship. Pompeius pursues Mithridates into remote, and even unknown, regions; he fights and conquers the Iberians and Albanians, who had resused him a passage through their territories. Mithridates slies to the Colchians and Heniochians; his transactions at Bosphorus.

BOOK CII.

Pomperus reduces Pontus to the form of a Roman province. Pharnaces, son of Mithridates, makes war upon his father. Mithridates besieged in his palace, takes poison, which not producing the desired effect, he procures himself to be slain by a Gaul, named Bituitus. Pompeius conquers the Jews, and takes their temple, hitherto unvio-Y.R.688. lated. Catiline, having twice sailed in his pursuit of the

B. C. 64. confulfhip, forms a conspiracy, with Lentulus, Cethegus, and others, to destroy the consuls and the senate, to burn the city, and seize the commonwealth; he raises an army Y. R. 689 in Etruria: The conspiracy is discovered and frustrated by B. C. 63. the exertions of Marcus Tullius Cicero, the consul. Cati-

line is driven out of Rome; the other conspirators punished with death.

BOOK CIII.

Y.R. 690. CATILINE'S army vanquished, and himself slain, by the B.C. 62. proconful, Caius Antonius. Publius Clodius accused of having entered a chapel, disguised in woman's apparel, which

which it was not lawful for a man to enter; and of having defiled the wife of the high-priest; acquitted. Caius Pontinius, prætor, subdues the Allobrogians, who had re-Publius Clodius joins the party of the people. Caius Cæsar subdues the Lustanians: being a candidate Y.R. 601. for the confulship, and determined to seize the power of the B.C. 61. commonwealth into his own hands, he forms a party with two of the principal men of the state, Marcus Antonius and Marcus Crassus. Cæsar, now consul, procures the Y.R. 692. passing of some Agrarian laws, contrary to the will of the B. C. 60. fenate, and notwithstanding the opposition of his colleague, Marcus Bibulus. Caius Antonius, proconsul, deseated in Y. R. 693. Thrace. Marcus Cicero banished, in consequence of a law B. C. 59.
Y.R. 694. procured by Publius Clodius, for having put to death Ro- 8. C. 58. man citizens uncondemned. Cæfar goes into the province of Gaul, where he subdues the Helvetians, a wandering tribe, who, feeking a place of fettlement, attempted to pass through Narbo, a part of his province. Description and situation of Gaul. Pompeius triumphs over the children of Mithridates and Tigranes, the father and son; the furname of the Great, conferred upon him by a full affembly of the people.

BOOK CIV.

SITUATION of Germany; description of that country, Caius Czesar, at the request of the and of the people. Æduans and Sequanians, leads his army against the Germans, who had invaded Gaul, under the command of Ariovistus; he rouses the courage of his soldiers, who were alarmed at the unufual appearance of these new enemies; he then defeats the Germans in an engagement, and drives them out of Gaul. Marcus Tullius Cicero, to the great Y.R. 695. joy of the fenate, and of all Italy, recalled from banishment, chiefly by the persuasion of Pompeius, aided by Titus Annius Milo, plebeian tribune, who also argued in his favour. The charge of providing corn for the city committed to Cneius Pompeius, for five years. Cæfar overcomes in battle the Ambians, Suessians, Veromanduans, and Atrebatians, a people of the Belgians, whose numbers were immense, and reduces them all to subjection. He afterwards, at great risk, engages the Nervians, a people belonging to one of the above states, and entirely cuts them off: this war they continued, with such obstinacy, that their

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army was reduced from fixty thousand men, to three hundred, and, of four hundred fenators, only three remained al ve. A law made to reduce Cyprus to the form of a province, and to confilcate the royal treasure; the management Y. R. 696. of that business committed to Marcus Cato. Ptolemy, illtreated by his subjects, and dethroned, comes to Rome, Caius Czesar defeats the Venetians, a people living on the borders of the sea, in a sea-sight. Successful expeditions of his lieutenant-generals.

BOOK CV.

CAIUS CATO, tribune of the people, persisting in preventing the holding the elections, the senate goes into Y.R. 607. mourning. Marcus Cato, a candidate for the prætorship, B. C. 55. loses the election, Vatinius carrying it against him. same Cato committed to prison, by the tribune, Trebonius, for relisting the law allotting the provinces, for five years: to Czesar, Gaul and Germany; to Pompeius, Spain; and to Craffus, Syria, and the Parthian war. Aulus Gabinius, proconful, restores Ptolemy to his kingdom of Ægypt, dethroning Archelaus, whom the people had elected king. Y. R. 698. Cæsar, having vanquished the Germans, who had invaded B. C. 54-Gaul, passes the Rhine, and subdues the Germans in those parts: he then croffes the fea, and, having suffered much from tempests, invades Britain; where, having killed a confiderable number of the enemy, he reduces a part of the island to subjection.

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JULIA, Cæsar's daughter, and wife of Pompeius, dies; by a vote of the people, she is honoured with being buried in the Campus Martius. Certain tribes of the Gauls revolt, and put themselves under the command of Ambiorix; they ensuare, and cut off, Cotta and Titurius, lieutenantgenerals under Cæfar, with the armies under their command: having attacked other legions also, who, with difficulty, defended their camps, and, among the rest, Quintus Cicero, they are, at length, defeated by Cæsar himself. Y. R. 699. Marcus Crassus crosses the Euphrates, to make war upon the Parthians, and is defeated in a battle, in which his fon

is killed; having collected the remains of his army, upon a rifing ground, a conference, to treat of peace, is proposed: at which he is seized by a party under the command of Surenas; to avoid fuffering any indignity, alive, he makes such resistance as obliges them to put him to death.

BOOK CVII.

CAIUS CESAR, having subdued the Trevirian Gauls, passes over a second time into Germany; finding no enemy there, he returns to Gaul, and reduces to obedience the Eburones, and other cities, which had revolted. Titus Annius Milo, a candidate for the confulship, kills Publius Clodius, on the Appian road, near Bovilla, whose body the people burn in the curia. The candidates for the conful- Y.R. 700. thip, Hypsæus, Scipio, and Milo, carry on their contention B. C. 52. with fo much rancour, as to come to open violence, which excites a seditious tumult. To repress these enormities, Cneius Pompeius is, a third time, elected consul, in his absence, and without a colleague, a circumstance which never occurred before. Milo tried for the murder of Clodius, and condemned to banishment. A law made, notwithstanding the strenuous opposition of Marcus Cato, to empower Cæsar to stand for the consulship, though absent. Cæfar's operations against the Gauls, who had, almost all of them, revolted, and put themselves under the command of Vercingetorix; he takes many towns; amongst others, Avaricum, Biturium, and Gergovia.

BOOK CVIII.

CESAR overthrows the Gauls at Alesia, and reduces all the revolted cities to subjection. Caius Cassius, Marcus Craffus's quæftor, defeats the Parthians who had paffed over into Syria. M. Cato fails in his pursuit of the consul- Y.R. 701. ship; the successful candidates being Servius Sulpicius and B. C. 51. Marcus Marcellus. Cæfar subdues the Bellovacians, and other Gallic tribes. Disputes between the consuls, concerning the fending out a person to succeed Cæsar; Marcellus contends that Czefar should come home to sue for the consulship, being, by a law made expressly for that purpose, enabled **A A 3**

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enabled to hold his province until that period. Exploits of Marcus Bibulus in Syria.

BOOK CIX.

Y. R. 702. Causes and beginning of the civil war: disputes about B. C. 50. sending a successor to Cæsar, who resuses to disband his army, unless Pompeius shall also do the same. Y. R. 703. Curio, plebeian tribune, takes an active part; first, against B. C. 49. Cæfar, afterwards, in his favour. A decree of the fenate being passed, that a successor to Cæsar should he appointed, Marcus Antonius and Quintus Cassius are driven out of the city, for protesting against that measure. fent by the fenate to the confuls, and to Cneius Pompeius, to take care that the commonwealth should fustain no injury. Cæsar, determined to make war upon his enemies, arrives in Italy with his army: he takes Corfinium, and in it Lucius Domitius and Lucius Lentulus, whom he difcharges: drives Cneius Pompeius, and his adherents, out of Italy.

BOOK CX.

CESAR besieges Massilia, the gates of which had been shut against him; leaving his lieutenant-generals, Caius Trebonius and Decius Brutus, to carry on the siege, he fets out for Spain, where Lucius Afranius and Caius Petreius, Pompeius's lieutenant-generals, with seven legions, furrender to him at Ilerda: he dismisses them all in safety. He also reduces to submission Varro, another lieutenantgeneral of Pompeius, with the army under his command. He grants the privileges of Roman citizens to the Gaditanians. The Massilians defeated in two engagements at fea; after having sustained a long siege, they yield to Cæsar. Caius Antonius, a lieutenant-general of Cæsar, makes an unsuccessful attack upon Pompeius's forces in Illyria, and is taken prisoner. In the course of this war, the inhabitants of Opitergium, a district beyond the Po, in alliance with Cæsar, seeing their bridge blocked up by the enemy's ships, rather than fall into their hands, kill one another. Caius Curio, one of Cæsar's lieutenant-generals

in Africa, after a successful engagement of Varus, a general of the Pompeian party, attacked and cut off, together with his army, by Juba, king of Mauritania. Caius Cæfar passes over into Greece.

BOOK CXI.

MARCUS CELIUS RUFUS, prætor, having excited a fe- Y. R. 704. dition in the city, by holding out hopes to the people, that B. C. 48. their debts should be annulled, turned out of his office, and driven out of the city; he joins Milo, who, being in exile, was raising an army of fugitives: they are both of them flain. Cleopatra, queen of Egypt, dethroned by her brother Ptolemy. The Cordubians, in Spain, haraffed by the extortion and oppression of the prætor Quintus Cassius, desert Cæsar's party, together with two legions. Cneius Pompeius besieged by Cæsar at Dyhrrachium; beating him out of his lines, the siege is raised. The seat of war removed to Theffaly: Cæfar overcomes Pompeius in a battle at Pharsalia. Cicero remains in the camp: a man born without any kind of talent for war. Cæfar grants a free pardon to all who fubmit themselves to his power.

BOOK CXII.

Consternation and flight of the vanquished party, in all parts of the world. Pompeius, endeavouring to escape into Ægypt, is slain, before he could get on shore, by order of Ptolemy, the king, a minor, upon the persuasion of Theodotus, his governor. Cornelia, his wife, and Sextus, his fon, fly to Cyprus. Cæsar follows him, three days after his victory; upon being presented with his head and ring, by Theodotus, he is highly offended with him for putting him to death, and laments his fate with tears. Cæfar enters Alexandria in fafety, notwithstanding that Y.R. 705 city was in a state of tumult. Cæsar created dictator; B. C. 47. restores Cleopatra to her throne; and defeats Ptolemy with great flaughter, who had made war upon him by the advice of those who had caused him to put Pompeius to death. Ptolemy, in his flight, driven on shore, in his vessel, in the Nile. Laborious march of Marcus Caro, with

with his legions, through vast tracts of desart country. Unsuccessful war of Domitius against Pharnaces.

BOOK CXIII.

THE Pompeian party having collected their forces in Africa, the command in chief is given to Publius Scipio, Marcus Cato, who had been joined with him in the command, giving up. When it was deliberated, in council, whether the city of Utica should not be demolished, on account of its attachment to Czesar, Cato opposes that measure, which was strongly recommended by Juba. Cato's opinion prevailing, he is appointed governor of the city. Cneius Pompeius, the fon of Pompeius the Great, having collected some forces in Spain, which neither Afranius nor Petreius would take the command of, puts himfelf at the head of them, and renews the war in Spain. Pharnaces, king of Pontus, son of Mithridates, supporting the war but a very short time, is subdued. sedition excited in Rome by Publius Dolabella, a plebeian tribune, who moved for a law to extinguish the debts of the people. Marcus Antonius, master of the horse, brings troops into the town, and kills eight hundred of the people. Czefar discharges the veteran soldiers, who were grown mutinous: croffes over into Africa, and engages the forces of king Juba, in a very hazardous combat.

BOOK CXIV.

Y.R. 706.

CECILIUS BASSUS, a Roman knight of the Pompeian party, flirs up war in Syria; the legion left there, under the command of Sextus Cæsar, having slain their commander, and revolted to Bassus. Cæsar deseats the prætor Scipio, Afranius, and Juba, at Thapsus, and takes their camps. Cato, hearing of this disaster, slabs himself at Utica; his son coming in, forces him to consent to have his wound dressed; but be, afterwards, tears away the dressing, and expires, in the forty-ninth year of his age. Petreius also puts Juba and himself to death. Publius Scipio also, his ship being overpowered, slays himself, saying to those who inquired after the general, "the general is well." Faustus, and Afranius slain. Cato's son is pardoned. Brutus,

Cæsar's lieutenant-general, gives battle to the rebellious Bellovacians, and overcomes them.

BOOK CXV.

CESAR triumphs four times: over Gaul, Ægypt, Pontus, and Africa. He gives a feast, and exhibits shews of every description. To Marcus Marcellus, a man of confular rank, he grants leave to return; but he is murdered, at Athens, by Magius Cilo, one of his own dependants. Cæsar holds a census: the number of citizens amounts to one hundred and fifty thousand. Cæsar goes Y.R. 707. to Spain against Cneius Pompey; where, after many at- B. C. 45. tacks on both fides, he at length gains a fignal victory, after a most desperate engagement, at Munda. Pompeius slies.

BOOK CXVI.

CESAR triumphs, a fifth time, over Spain. Very many and high honours decreed him by the fenate; among others, that he should be styled Father of his Country, and Sacred, and also that he should be perpetual dictator. He Y.R. 708. gives much ground of offence, by his haughtiness and B. C. 44. pride: for when the senate, waiting upon him to signify the honours they had decreed him, find him fitting before the temple of Venus Genetrix, he rises not to receive them: when also Marcus Antonius, his colleague in the consulthip, running among the Lupercalians, came up to him, and placed a diadem upon his head, he took it off, and laid it by him upon a chair: he turned out of their office, Epidius Marullus, and Cæsetius Flavus, plebeian tribunes, for afferting that he had affumed the office of king. Having, by these measures, incurred the public hatred, a conspiracy was at length formed against him; the chiefs of which were, Marcus Brutus and Caius Cashus; and, of his own partifans, Decius Brutus and Caius Trebonius. Thefe kill him in the court of Pompeius, giving him three-and-twenty wounds; they then seize the Capitol. The senate passes a decree of oblivion; then the conspirators, having, first, received the children of Antonius and Lepidus, as hostages, come down from the Capitol. Octavius, Czesar's nephew, is, by his will, made heir of half his acquisitions. Cæsar's body

body burnt by the people, in the Campus Martius, opposite the rostrum. The office of dictator abolished for ever. Caius Amatius, one of the lowest of the people, giving himself out for the son of Caius Marius, excites some seditious movements among the credulous vulgar; slain.

BOOK CXVII.

CAIUS OCTAVIUS comes to Rome from Epirus, whither Cæsar had sent him to conduct the war in Macedonia: is received with the most auspicious omens: assumes the name of Cæsar. In the confusion and bustle of affairs, Lepidus contrives to procure his election to the office of chief priest. Marcus Antonius, consul, governs with much haughtiness, and forcibly causes a law to be passed respecting the change of provinces. Casfar, requesting him to join him to punish the murderers of his uncle, is harshly treated by him. Cæsar, to strengthen himself, and the commonwealth, against him, applies to the veteran soldiers. who had been settled in the colonies. The fourth legion also, and the Martian, declare for Cæsar against Antonius. Antonius having put many to death, on mere fuspicion. causes the revolt of very considerable numbers to Cæsar. Decius Brutus, in order to stop Antonius on his way into Cifalpine Gaul, seizes Mutina with his army. Attempts of both parties to get possession of the provinces: preparations for war.

BOOK CXVIII.

Marcus Brutus, in Greece, under the pretext of fipporting the commonwealth, and the war against Antonius, manages to get the command of Vatinius's army and pro-Y.R.709. vince. To Cæsar, who first took arms in desence of the B.C.43. commonwealth, is given the command, in quality of pro-prætor, with the consular ornaments; he is also made a senator. Marcus Antonius besieges Brutus at Mutina; he sends deputies to Rome, to treat of peace, but without effect. The people of Rome assume the military habit. Marcus Brutus reduces Antonius and his army to submission, in Epirus.

BOOK CXIX.

PUBLIUS DOLABELLA circumvents Caius Trébonius, in Afia, and kills him; for which crime the senate votes Dolabella to be a public enemy. Pansa, the conful, being engaged in an action with Antonius, and in danger of being worsted, Aulus Hirtius; his colleague, arrives, routs Antonius's forces, and restores the fortune of the day. Antonius, conquered by Hirtius and Cæsar, and joins Lepidus; is declared a public enemy, by the fenate, together with all his affociates. Aulus Hirtius, who, after his victory was slain, in the enemy's camp, and Lucius Pansa, who died of a wound received in the action, are buried in the Campus Martius. To Czefar, the only furviving general of the three, the senate shewed but little gratitude; for a triumph was voted to Decius Brutus, who was relieved from the sieze of Mutina, by Cæsar, while they made but flight mention of Cæfar and his army. On which account Cæsar is reconciled to Antonius, by the intervention of Lepidus, and comes to Rome at the head of his army; whereupon those, who before treated him with indifference, struck with fear, now elect him consul, although only in his twentieth year.

BOOK CXX.

CASAR, conful, procures a law to be passed for an inquiry into his father's death; in consequence of which Marcus Brutus, Caius Cassius, and Decius Brutus, are condemned, though absent. Asinius Pollio and Munatius Plancus, having joined their forces to those of Antonius. Decius Brutus, to whom the fenate had given orders to purfue Antonius, being deferted by the legions under his command, flies; is killed by Capenus Sequanus, by order of Antonius, into whose hands he fell. Cæsar becomes reconciled to Antonius and Lepidus, and, in conjunction with them, assumes the entire direction of the public affairs for five years: it is agreed among them, that they shall, each of them, have the power of proscribing their own particular enemies. In this profcription are included very many of the equestrian order, and one hundred and thirty senators; among whom, Lucius Paullus, the brother

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ther of Lepidus, Lucius Cæsar, Antonius's uncle, and Marcus Tullius Çicero. This last slain by Popilius, a legionary soldier, and his head and right hand stuck up on the rostrum, in the sixty-third year of his age. Transactions of Brutus in Greece.

BOOK CXXI.

CAIUS CASSIUS, having received orders from the senate to pursue Dolabella, pronounced a public enemy, by virtug of this authority, takes the command in Syria, and putting himself at the head of the three armies, which were in that province, besieges Dolabella, in Laodicea, and puts him to death. Caius Antonius taken and slain, by order of Marcus Brutus.

BOOK CXXII.

MARCUS BRUTUS unfuccessful in an engagement with the Thracians. Afterwards, all the provinces beyond sea, together with the armies in them, are brought into obedience to him and Cassius; they meet at Smyrna to hold a council relative to the conduct of the war they are about Y.R. 710. to engage in. They subdue Publicola, the brother of Marcus Messala, and agree in granting a pardon.

BOOK CXXIII.

Sextus, fon of Pompey the Great, having affembled a confiderable number of the proferibed Romans, and other fugitives, in Epirus, wanders about, for a long time, fub-fifting chiefly by piracy; at length, they feize, first, Messana in Sicily, and, afterwards, the whole province. Then, having killed Aulus Pompeius Bithynicus, the prætor, they deseat Quintus Salvidienus, a general of Cæsar's, in a seafight. Cæsar and Antonius, with their armies, pass over into Greece, to make war against Brutus and Cassius. Quintus Cornificius overcomes Titus Sestius, in a battle in Africa.

BOOK CXXIV.

CESAR and Antonius fight an indecifive battle with Brutus, at Philippi; in which the right wing of each army is victorious; and, on both fides, the camps are taken: the death of Cassius, at length, decides the victory; for, being at the head of that wing which is beaten, he supposes his whole army routed, and kills himself. Afterwards, in another battle, Brutus, being overcome, puts an end to his life.

BOOK CXXV.

CASAR, leaving Antonius to take care of the provinces Y.R. 712. beyond sea, returns to Italy, and makes a distribution of B. C. 41. lands among the veterans. He represses, with great risk, a mutiny among his foldiers, who, being bribed by Fulvia, the wife of Marcus Antonius, conspire against their general. Lucius Antonius, consul, influenced by Fulvia, makes war upon Cæsar, having taken to his assistance those whose lands Cæsar had distributed among his veteran soldiers: having overthrown Lepidus, who, with an army, had charge of the defence of the city, he enters it in an hostile manner.

BOOK CXXVI.

CASAR, now twenty-three years of age, befieges Anto- Y.R. 712. nius in Perusia; who, after several attempts to escape, is, B. C. 40. at length, forced by famine to furrender. Cæfar grants a pardon to him, and all his followers. And having reduced all the various armies, in different parts, puts an end to the war, without effusion of blood.

BOOK CXXVII.

THE Parthians, who had joined the Pompeian party, under the command of Labienus, invade Syria, and having beaten Decidius Saxa, a lieutenant-general under Antonius, soize that whole province. Marcus Antonius, being urged B. C. 39.

by his wife Fulvia to make war against Czesar, repudiates her, and, to strengthen his alliance with him, marries his fifter Octavia. He discovers the guilt of Quintus Salvidienus, who was endeavouring to promote a conspiracy against Cæsar: Quintus being condemned, puts himself Y.R. 713. to death. Publics Ventidius overcomes the Parthians in 2 battle, in which their general Labienus is killed, and drives them out of Syria. Sextus Pompeius, keeping possession of Sicily, greatly obstructs the importation of corn; he demands peace, which is granted, and he is made governor

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BOOK CXXVIII.

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BOOK CXXX.

MARCUS ANTONIUS, having spent much time in luxurious indulgence with Cleopatra, arrives late in Media; with eighteen legions and fixteen thousand horse, he makes war upon the Parthians. Having lost two of his legions, and nothing prospering with him, he retreats to Armenia; being pursued by the Parthians, he slies three hundred miles in twenty-one days. About eight thousand men lost by tempests; he was himself the cause of all these missortunes, as well of the losses by the tempests, as in the unfortunate Parthian war; for he would not winter in Armenia, being in haste to revisit Cleopatra.

BOOK, CXXXI.

Sextus Pompeius, notwithstanding his engagements to Y.R. 717. Marcus Antonius, endeavours to raise a war against him B.C. 35. in Asia; slain by one of Antonius's generals. Cæsar represses a mutiny of the veterans, which threatened much B.C. 34. mischief; he subdues the Japidæ, the Dalmatians, and Pannonians. Antonius, having, by promises of safety Y.R. 719. and protection, induced Artavardes, king of Armenia, to B.C. 33. come to him, commands him to be thrown into chains, and gives the kingdom of Armenia to his own son, whom he had by Cleopatra, whom he now treats as his wise, having been long enamoured of her.

BOOK CXXXII.

CÆSAR conquers the Dalmatians in Illyria; he passes Y.R. 720. over to Epirus, at the head of an army, against Antonius, B. C. 32. who, fascinated by the love of Cleopatra, by whom he had Y.R. 721. two sons, Alexander and Philadelphus, would neither come B. C. 31. to Rome, nor, the time of his triumvirate being expired, would he resign that office, but meditated war, and was preparing a great force, both for sea and land, and had also divorced Octavia, Cæsar's sister. Sea-sights, and battles on land between the cavalry, in which Cæsar is victorious.

BOOK CXXXIII.

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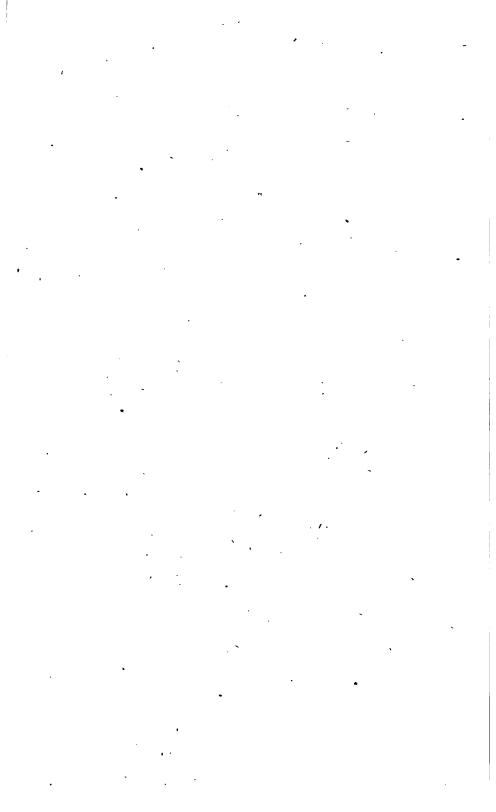
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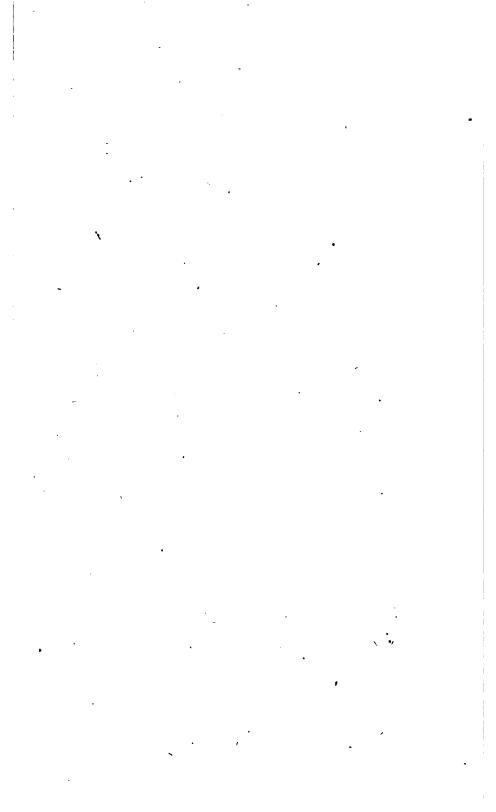
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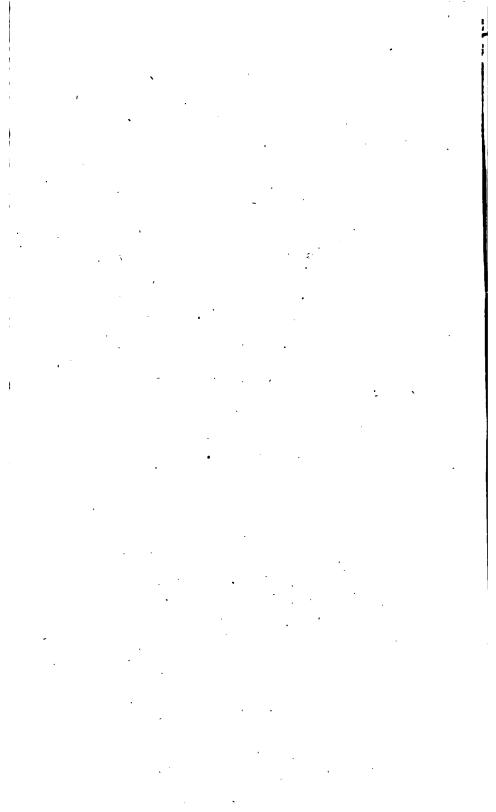
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